

# The Auburn Alumnews

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## Tigers to be True Home Team in 1989 Iron Bowl

After several years of difficult negotiations, an agreement reached recently between the boards of trustees of Auburn and the University of Alabama and officials from the City of Birmingham will allow Auburn's Jordan-Hare Stadium to host its first-ever Iron Bowl on Dec. 2, 1989. The agreement between the two schools is part of the settlement reached in a lawsuit brought against both by the City of Birmingham in an effort to keep the game at Legion Field every year.

Under the terms of the agreement, Auburn will host the 1989 Iron Bowl, then return to Birmingham for the 1991 game, even though the Tigers will be the home team. After the 1991 game, Auburn will have the right to play all of its future home games at the site of its choice. Games played in years in which Alabama is the home team will remain at Legion Field, at least through 1994, when the Tide's current contract with the City of Birmingham will expire. After that time, Alabama may also host the game at the site of its choice, be it Birmingham or Tuscaloosa.

Of the 52 games in the historic series, 46 have been played in Birmingham. The Tigers and Tide have also met four times in Montgomery, and twice in Tuscaloosa. The Tide leads the Birmingham series 28-17-1, while the teams split the Montgomery games 2-2 and Auburn won both games in Tuscaloosa.

Alabama becomes the final Tiger opponent to agree to a home and home series. The Auburn-Georgia game, once played annually in Columbus, Ga., began alternating between the two campuses in 1959. Georgia Tech visited the plains for the first time in 1970, and Tennessee came to Auburn—first on a trial basis in 1974—then on a regular basis in 1980.

Auburn President James E. Martin expressed satisfaction with the arrangement which will at last bring the Iron Bowl to Auburn every other year. "The Auburn-Alabama rivalry is an outstanding series between two outstanding academic institutions," he said. "The game site issue has been of great concern to fans and supporters of both institutions and we are pleased to have it resolved. We look forward to a long and mutually beneficial relationship with our sister institution under the terms of this agreement."



**PULITZER WINNER**—Emily Bentley '86, seated, a reporter for the *Alabama Journal* in Montgomery, recently received a Pulitzer Prize for a series on infant mortality she co-wrote with three other *Journal* reporters. Fellow alums Jay Sailors '87, a photographer, and Nancy King Dennis '80, assistant city editor, also assisted with the prize-winning series.

—Advertiser-Journal Photo

## Personalized AU Tags Available By September

Thanks to a personalized university tag bill signed into law by Alabama Gov. Guy Hunt recently, Auburn alumni and friends across the state will soon have an opportunity to show their support for Auburn while helping increase the university's general scholarship fund.

The bill, named the "Martin-Estes-Campbell Act" after Auburn president James E. Martin and two other proponents, will allow state public and private institutions to develop car license plates

featuring representative logos. The tags will cost \$50 each year on top of the usual fee, with the \$50 considered a charitable contribution to the institution's scholarship fund. The tags will be valid for five years, and may be replaced on expiration with another personalized tag or a standard tag.

Individuals need not wait until their current tag expires to purchase a personalized university tag, as the tags are available on a prorated basis. The Auburn version of the tags is currently being designed and is expected to be available in probate judge offices across the state this fall.

"This is a tremendous opportunity for Auburn," said Jerry F. Smith '64,

executive director of alumni and development. "Not only will it bring in funds for academic scholarships—a real priority—it will also allow Auburn people another means to identify with the university and provide a symbol of unity."

## Emily Bentley '86 Wins Pulitzer for Work on Infant Mortality Series

Emily Bentley '86, a reporter for *The Alabama Journal* in Montgomery, recently became the first Auburn journalism graduate ever to receive a Pulitzer Prize, one of journalism's most prestigious awards. Miss Bentley received the honor, along with three other *Journal* reporters, for a 20-article, five-day series on infant mortality in Alabama entitled "A Death in the Family." The series also won the 1987 Distinguished Service Award for Public Service in Newspaper Journalism from the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi.

An Oneonta native, Miss Bentley became one of the youngest journalists to win a Pulitzer. She covers the state legislature for the *Journal*, and worked on the series in addition to her regular assignments. Her contributions included a number of stories on interviews with families in rural areas who had lost infants due to lack of access to proper medical care.

Several other Auburn alumni were also associated with the story. *Journal* photographers Jay Sailors '87 and Mark Almond '82 were among the staff photographers who took pictures for the series, accompanying Miss Bentley on a number of interviews. Assistant city editor Nancy King Dennis '80 also worked on the series during the editing process.

## Samuel Pate '60 Honored With Gilmer Award

Samuel R. Pate '60, vice president and board member of the Sverdrup Corp., was honored during ceremonies on E-Day as winner of the Alumni Engineering Council's Ben S. Gilmer Award. Established in 1975 to honor Mr. Gilmer, a

1926 Auburn graduate and former president of AT&T who served 24 years as president of the Auburn University Foundation board of directors prior to his retirement last year, the award recognizes outstanding contributions to the field of engineering.

"Dr. Pate has garnered an enviable record of accomplishment, both from a scientific and engineering viewpoint and as a manager who has assumed greater and greater responsibilities," said Jack Boykin '61, alumni council chairman. "He is being honored specifically for his outstanding technical achievements, particularly in helping to solve the problems of inconsistencies between aerodynamic wind tunnel data on scaled aircraft models and flight data on full scale aircraft."

A resident of Tullahoma, Tenn., Dr. Pate holds the bachelor's in aeronautical engineering from Auburn and the master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Tennessee. He is also the recipient of the General H. H. Arnold Award—the highest honor given by the Tennessee chapter of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics—and the Arch T. Colwell Merit Award for outstanding technical contributions to the literature of the Society of Automotive Engineers.

## Worman Named Acting Dean Of Nursing

Winifred H. Worman, a former member of the School of Nursing faculty who has been serving as trauma nurse coordinator at The Medical Center in Columbus, Ga., is the acting dean of nursing following the return to teaching of H. Terri Brower, dean since 1986. Mrs. Worman will serve during the search process for Dean Brower's permanent replacement.

Before joining the staff of The Medical Center, Mrs. Worman served on the Auburn nursing faculty from 1979 to 1986, serving as instructor, assistant professor, and acting assistant dean. She chaired the admissions, promotion, and graduation committee and developed three new courses for the school. Mrs. Worman earned her bachelor's degree at Houghton College and her master's at Case Western Reserve University.

Mrs. Worman is a member of the Practice Policy Committee of the Georgia Board of Nursing and the board of trustees of the Bradley Center Hospital in Columbus. She also serves as chair of the advisory council of the Pastoral Institute of Columbus.

## Education Alumni Honored by AASA

Brandon B. Sparkman '70, John M. Goff '72, Robert N. Fortenberry '67, and Joseph E. Gentry '71 were all honored recently by the American Association of School Administrators as Superintendents of the Year in their respective states. All four received doctorates from the College of Education.



**GILMER AWARD**—Samuel R. Pate '60, left, recently received the Ben S. Gilmer Award from Jack W. Boykin '61, chairman of the Auburn Alumni Engineering Council.

—Photo by Jim Killian

Dr. Sparkman, superintendent of schools in Guntersville, was Alabama's recipient of the honor. The other winners, representing Ohio, Mississippi, and South Carolina, included Dr. Goff, superintendent of the Kettering (Ohio) City Schools; Dr. Fortenberry, superintendent of the Jackson (Miss.) City Schools; and Dr. Gentry, superintendent of Rock Hill (S.C.) School District Number Three.

"I am elated that four of our graduates in educational leadership were among those selected for this honor," said Boyd Scebra, associate dean for administration, extension, and public service for the College of Education. "These gentlemen have distinguished themselves through outstanding leadership in their respective school districts and states."

## National Trends Affect Program Enrollments

Business is booming at Auburn.

So is electrical engineering. And elementary education, aviation management, and psychology.

Those areas of study are among several which clearly show that national trends in industry and employment can impact on enrollment, particularly over a five-year period.

College of Business enrollment is up more than 35 percent since fall of 1983, with management, marketing, international business, and finance majors figuring most prominently in the increase. Enrollment in business is up across the nation, but so is enrollment in several other areas.

The business boom is being felt across campus in the School of Human Sciences, where fashion merchandising majors have increased more than 30 percent in five years, from 158 to 206 students. "Our growth in business-related areas such as fashion merchandising is in keeping with national standards," said June Henton, Dean of Human Sciences.

Auburn's programs in aerospace engineering and aviation management

have also grown recently, by 44 and 66 percent respectively over the past five years. Nick Conrad, associate director of engineering student services, credits government and industry with helping to promote those areas. "Our aerospace engineering enrollment has definitely been driven by the government," Dr. Conrad said. "And with so many airlines needing pilots, it's natural that a number of students would be attracted to aviation management."

Auburn enrolled more electrical engineering students this past fall than those in any other major. The 782 electrical engineering students far outnumber the next largest group, the 396 architecture majors. "Electrical engineering is so marketable," Dr. Conrad said of the curriculum's popularity. "With the space program, new technologies in electronics and power, and other areas, we don't expect much change in this department."

Architecture enrollment is stable over five years, but judging by the skyrocketing 174 percent increase in pre-architecture students, the main curriculum is level by design.

"We could have many more students, but we hold enrollment where it is because of our own limitations of faculty and facilities," said Betty Fendley, academic adviser for architecture. "There are not many architecture programs in the South, so the job market is good."

Elementary education and secondary education-math are up 66 and 64 percent respectively over fall of 1983. Andrew M. Weaver, professor and head of curriculum and teaching, said that national trends and recent pay increases in Alabama have helped in those areas. "But those programs are not growing in every institution," Dr. Weaver said. "The growth at Auburn is due primarily to the quality of our programs."

One area where national trends may not exactly blend with Auburn enrollment is psychology, which has 301 majors, up 106 percent over the 146 majors in 1983. Peter Harzem, Psychology Department head, credits the faculty's "emphasis on undergraduate teaching" with embellishing the department's reputation.

National employment trends—or perceived trends—work the other way as

well. Enrollment in the College of Agriculture is down about 12 percent over the past five years, while forestry enrollment is down 27 percent. But two key personnel in those areas feel those trends could change soon.

"The U.S. Department of Agriculture predicts that over the next five years, we'll see a 10 percent shortfall of agriculture graduates," says Robert Voitle, associate dean of agriculture. "In some areas, such as agricultural journalism or ornamental horticulture, there are several positions available for each graduate."

Earl Debrunner, assistant professor of forestry, says that after a few down years, the forestry job market is "good, reasonably plentiful, mostly in the deep South." Dr. Debrunner said he expects that forestry enrollment will likely increase over the next couple of years.

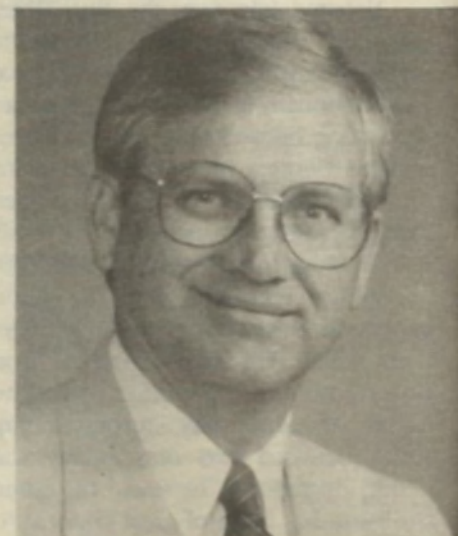
Two other national trends have adversely affected Auburn, in computer science and engineering and in nursing, a school which is down 50 percent, from 373 students in 1983 to 184 this past fall.

Computer engineering enrollment is down 40 percent, computer science 68 percent, due largely to problems in industry and competition from the Japanese. "We expect it's going to turn around," said Dave Brown, professor and acting head of computer science and engineering. "The demand for our graduates is there. We've never had problems placing our graduates and we don't expect to in the future."

## Poultry Science's Roland Named Grad Lecturer

Poultry Science professor David A. Roland, whose research on eggshell strength and quality is internationally known, is Auburn's Distinguished Graduate Faculty lecturer for 1988. The award, which includes a \$1,000 stipend and a special recognition luncheon sponsored by the Alumni Association, is the highest campus award a faculty member can receive. Winners are selected by a subcommittee of the Graduate Council.

A member of the Auburn faculty since 1976, Dr. Roland is considered among the world's experts in eggshell quality. He has authored or co-authored over 320 publications on his research and has lectured extensively both in the U.S. and abroad.



David Roland

# Alumni Association News

## Marble Wall With Donor Names to Highlight Center

The new Alumni Center is well underway, but there is still time to get your name inscribed as a contributor on a marble wall highlighting the entrance lobby of the building. Those completing pledges of \$500 or more by Dec. 31, 1988, can have their names inscribed on the wall, while donations of \$1,000 or more will be necessary for inscription after Jan. 1, 1989. Only pledges completed by Sept. 1, 1988, will be inscribed in time for the dedication of the building. Original plans called for a plaque containing the names of qualifying donors, but plans for the marble wall have now been finalized.

In order to assure that everyone who has donated \$500 or more has his or her name listed correctly, a certification card will be mailed to each contributor in May. All donors receiving the cards should specify how they would like their inscriptions to appear, then sign the cards and return them to the Alumni Association. In July, a special issue of the *Auburn Family News* listing each inscription will be mailed to donors, giving them a second chance to correct any errors.

In addition to reminders to donors in the next two issues of the *Alumneus* to make sure their listings are correct, a verification card will be sent in September containing the names as they are to be inscribed. This will be the last chance to make changes or corrections.

Following are some answers to frequently asked questions about the inscriptions:

**QUESTION:** When will my name be inscribed?

**ANSWER:** At the end of the year in which your pledge is completed. Inscriptions will be updated annually. Only pledges completed by Sept. 1, 1988, will be inscribed in time for the dedication ceremonies.

**QUESTION:** In what order will the inscriptions be made?

**ANSWER:** Because of the ongoing nature of the project, inscriptions will be made as pledges are completed, in random order.

**QUESTION:** How many people can I honor per line?

**ANSWER:** Two, husband and wife, brother and sister, friends, whatever. But just two per line, including class years if applicable.

**QUESTION:** How many spaces (characters) can I use?

**ANSWER:** The inscription cannot exceed 50 characters, including one character each for punctuation and space between words. The following is a 36-character inscription: War D. Eagle '80 & Ima Tiger Fan '85

**QUESTION:** Can I use an inscription to honor someone, or in someone's memory?

**ANSWER:** Yes, but remember, the inscription cannot exceed 50 characters.

**QUESTION:** Once the Alumni Center opens, will it be too late to contribute and have my name inscribed on the marble wall?

**ANSWER:** No, but after Jan. 1, 1989, only donations of \$1,000 or more to the Alumni Center will make donors eligible for inscription.

**QUESTION:** May I use honorific titles?

**ANSWER:** Yes. Dr., Mrs., Gen., Rev., and other titles are acceptable as long as they fit the 50-character limit.

**QUESTION:** Do you have to be an alumnus to be listed?

**ANSWER:** No, Auburn friends are more than welcome.

**QUESTION:** Since inscriptions will be in random order, can my family's inscriptions be listed together?

**ANSWER:** Yes, but you must notify the Alumni Association of this intention on your certification card, and all of the correlating pledges must be completed at the same time.

## Alumni Members Reach New High

Auburn alumni support is at an all-time high, as reflected by this year's record number of Alumni Association dues and life membership payers. As of April 5, 34,998 alumni and friends had paid dues or life installments, or had completed their life memberships to become members of the Alumni Association.

The total includes 19,047 alumni and friends under the life membership program and 15,951 annual dues payers. The number of dues payers breaks the previous record of 15,766 and sets the stage for easily meeting this year's goal of 16,000 by October.

Auburn's roughly one-third participation puts it among the top alumni associations in the country. "We benefit from having a great school, a great spirit, and great alumni," said Alumni Executive Director Jerry F. Smith '64. "We're very proud of the way Auburn people want to stay involved with the university and the loyalty they feel. We as an alumni association also want to do our best to serve their needs. We have an involved president and Alumni Board that keep us on our toes. In addition, we're extremely happy to have greater visibility—which will increase even more with our new Alumni Center now under construction."

"A number of factors may have contributed to the terrific response to this year's Alumni Association membership drive," said Alumni Programs Assistant Director Stephanie Bond '71, who heads up the membership program. "We're offering more benefits than ever before to our members. If you are a dues-paying member of the Auburn



**ON THE WAY UP**—The new Alumni Center is now well underway, with much of the framework already in place. Completion of the center, which will contain the Office of Alumni and Development and house meeting and conference space for alumni functions, is scheduled for December.  
—Photo by Steven Stiefel

Alumni Association, the fees are waived on the Auburn Spirit Cards, our successful credit card program. You can also get a special ID for Draughon Library privileges."

Another reason for the dues success stems from better promotional efforts. Spots on the Pat Dye Show have increased visibility for the Alumni Association. Also better publicized were benefits of membership for the university, including sponsoring alumni advisory councils, professorships, scholarships, and teaching excellence awards.

Ever popular with alumni dues payers is the benefit of nine issues of *The Alumneus*. As a recent graduate and dues payer, Shari John Cook '85 of Opp, said, "I just wanted to be a part of the Auburn family. I felt *The Alumneus* was a way of keeping in touch with Auburn events and current news."

Penelope DeVane Donaldson '72 and her husband, James O. Donaldson '70, of Enterprise are joint life members of the Alumni Association. Mrs. Donaldson spoke of their reasons for joining: "We wanted to support Auburn. We enjoyed the time we spent there and hope the school will continue to grow and maintain high standards. We have three children and would love for them to go to Auburn. We believe in the university and not just a good football team."

James R. Harper '45 of Monroeville, who has paid dues for 35 years, said, "I love the school and believe in the Alumni Association and the goals that it has set."

"Certainly, simple arithmetic has worked in our favor, too, with Auburn graduating nearly 4,000 students a year," Mrs. Bond said.

## New Class Giving Competition Spurs Vet Drive

The College of Veterinary Medicine's "Commitment to Excellence" annual giving campaign, now in its second year, is seeking donations to help the college better meet its immediate needs. Recently, some alumni have added a new dimension to this year's campaign—class giving competitions.

So far, the classes of 1950, 1955, 1965, and 1968 each have a representative actively seeking donations, with the class of 1962 in the lead in total monies donated and the class of 1968 ahead in number of alumni participating. Ted W. Bullard '65, a member of the Veterinary Development Committee and representative for his class, has even made memorial donations in the name of deceased classmates so that his class can have 100 percent participation.

"We've been very gratified by the response to our special annual giving efforts, and are truly touched by this class giving competition," said Dean Tom Vaughan '55. "This is something our alumni started on their own—with a little prodding from the campaign's national chairman, Warren (Hoss) Kent '52. With the interest and support this competition is generating, I'm optimistic we will make our \$100,000 goal."

Any veterinary medicine alumnus interested in entering his or her class in the competition may contact either Dr. Kent at (205) 323-1536, or George Atkins at the Office of Alumni and Development at (205) 826-4234.

# Points & Views

Here and There—

## A Decline of Eloquence

By Jerry Roden, Jr., '46

In a recent presentation of ABC's *This Week*, David Brinkley and guests—Hodding Carter, Sam Donaldson, and George Will—began the free-



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form final segment of the program with serious questions about the propriety of some original quotations by former White House Press Secretary Larry Speakes. Apparently during Speake's tenure, President Ronald Reagan failed quite regularly at major national and international conferences to formulate the eloquent statements necessary to project the desired idea or image to the country or the world. Upon such occasions, Mr. Speakes unabashedly supplied the deficiency with his own post-event creations and attributed them to the President.

In these cases, the panel agreed that Mr. Speake's devotion to the projection of a favorable concept of the President exceeded not merely the bounds of good taste but also those of propriety. However, the panelists wondered just how serious to adjudge the error in a time when virtually everyone of note relies upon ghost writers for all his prepared utterances.

And that comment led to some speculation about a decline of eloquence. Mr. Brinkley asked humorously if any presidential speech since "The Gettysburg Address" could be attributed accurately to its reputed author. Speaking more seriously, George Will lamented the present scarcity of potent political rhetoric and spoke with yearning of Thomas Jefferson's apparent ability to pour forth eloquence spontaneously.

Time ran out on the panel before it reached any definitive conclusions about the causes of the decline in political oratory, but not before it left the impression that eloquence has been on the wane since the passing of the founding fathers and may be approaching its demise, unless there is an early discovery, or rediscovery, of some powerful remedy.

Before yielding too readily to this gloomy assessment, I want to examine carefully available evidence to the contrary. For, in my time, I have heard in person and on the air waves a number of forceful speakers whose words came directly from their own hearts and minds. Among the foremost of those was Adlai E. Stevenson, who treated the nation to some of the most brilliant and witty political speeches ever heard in his presidential bids of 1952 and 1956. Equally eloquent and perhaps even more persuasive was Martin Luther King, Jr., with his clarion calls to justice and equality in the late 1950's and the 1960's.

However, in the late 1950's, the 1960's, and the 1970's, it was not necessary to go beyond the Auburn University English Department to find eloquence capable of moving the listeners to deeper and deeper perceptions of reality. An

assortment of competent professors supplied a diverse fare of original lectures with power and substance. Among that band of notable teachers and speakers were more than a few able to perform extemporaneously. For example, upon adequate provocation, the late Professor Carl Benson could deliver a spontaneous exhortation which would shake old Samford Hall from its tower to its basement for the better part of an hour. And, with similar stimulation, Professor Oxford Stroud could posit a trenchant metaphor and spend an evening weaving from it related patterns of meaning until he had encompassed the universe.

Thus, it seems that eloquence has endured in some vigorous forms down to the present time and does not seem in any imminent danger of disappearing from the land. Yet, this conclusion and all the evidence supporting it do not negate the suggestion of a slow but steady decline of eloquence since the days of the founding fathers. Since that time, we have never had the equivalent of Thomas Jefferson and several of his contemporaries. Just why this is true, I am not at all certain, and therefore will forego speculation in favor of suggesting that it is about time to encourage some of our brightest minds to examine the question thoroughly.

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**Lest We Forget**—Like millions of other people across the land and around the world, I welcome improved relations between the United States and China and between the United States and Russia. To all posterity, we owe our very best efforts to promote peace and openness among the major powers of the world. But in the process of doing that, wisdom dictates the caution suggested by Thene Hansana, a Laotian refugee, who recently submitted to me an essay with the following well-earned conclusion: "Only ignorant people trust the Communist Party."

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**Recurring Miracles**—Two miracles constantly delight me: the rebirth of the world every spring and the ingenious operation of the human mind. Sometimes I think that we could solve virtually all of our educational problems simply by placing the right demands upon our students. Laotian refugees have an inclination to reinforce this conviction of mine, for a number of them learn to write English in a script that ranges from legible to beautiful without the benefit of any instruction. At first, I simply require them to sign a roll and later to copy some printed passages. They figure out for themselves how to move from scrawled printing to a flowing script.

*Esoterica for Everyone—*

## The Annual Rite of Spring

By Bob Sanders '52

Let us bow our heads for a moment in silent homage to Abner Doubleday (if he did it—there is a reasonable doubt) for inventing the greatest of all sports activities, the game of baseball.

Thank you.

It is time to come out of the long, dark, October-to-April tunnel into the bright sunlight of a new baseball season...and see how they've messed with

the game. There's not a whole lot new this year thank goodness. Oh, they have tampered with the strike zone some—raised it or lowered it or something. Way back yonder when they established it as being over the plate and between the armpits and knees, they got it exactly right. But for several seasons, pitchers have been penalized by having to pitch to a zone between the knees and belt. They may have only the width of the belt this year.

And they keep messing around with this silly balk business. Why don't they let the pitcher get out there and throw? What actually happens is that, if the rule is rigidly enforced, almost every pitcher balks about half the time as umpires go through periods of enforcing and not enforcing.

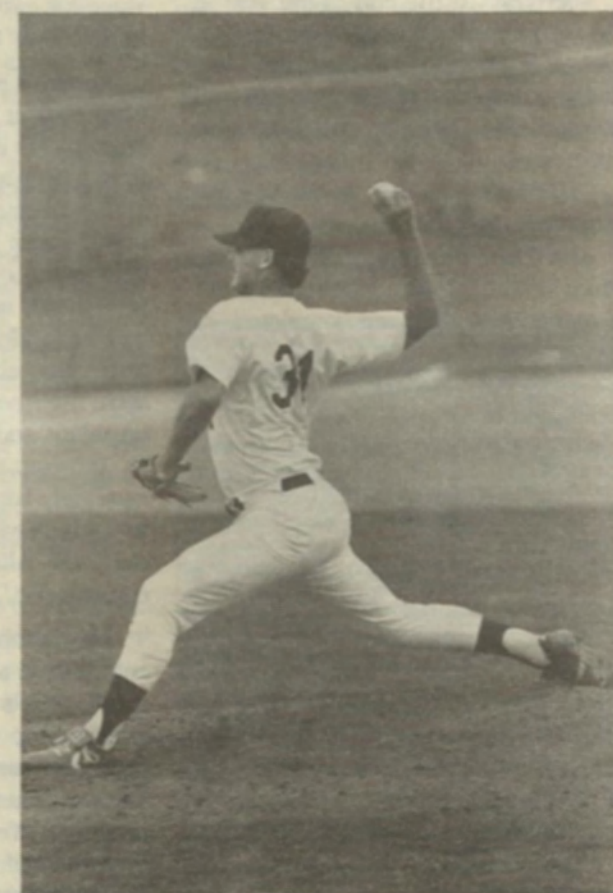
And there are still fantastically, vulgarly, even, overpaid, spoiled players who, in spite of the fact that they each make more than the GNP of some countries, still sulk and pout and throw tantrums, instead of enjoying a game that millions of talented kids would gladly play for hot dogs and a tarp to keep the rain off.

On the other hand, there are the Steinbrenners of the world, who have the rare gift of being able to make anybody pout and sulk, who like to somehow feel important by constantly flexing their money...and win no more, maybe less, than normal people would.

And they keep talking about expanding the leagues, and if there's anything the world doesn't need, it's more major league baseball teams.

But...having said all that, it's still the greatest game ever invented. Even though rules have been tampered with, baseball is so basically right and inspired that its essential integrity is a solid thing, a continuing, unbroken core that reaches back into the 19th century, a core kept strong by statistics on...everything.

Batters still try to hit the balls that pitchers still try to keep them from hitting. Fielders try to catch balls and throw out runners and make double-plays, and some of them become very



good at it. Some of them, like Ozzie Smith, become unworthy at it.

One of the real strengths of baseball is tradition, the records and memories and legends of the almost mythological players whose names echo down through the decades, and the dynastic teams, like several Yankee teams, the Athletics of long ago, the Big Red Machine, Oakland, the Cardinals...

And traditions in badness, like one or two Mets teams, and, most of all, the St. Louis Browns. The Browns, one of my favorite teams in all of baseball history, got to be so bad that their uniforms were sub-par. To wit: I got to see a genuine Browns cap the other day. The legendary Billy Hitchcock has it in his collection of memorabilia from all of the many teams he played for or managed. It was still more or less together. He told how he sent some of his pieces of uniforms to have them cleaned. The Browns cap almost fell apart, it was so cheaply made. The story neatly sums up the Browns.

But, he says, there is still a strong St. Louis Browns fan club, although the team has been gone (to Baltimore) over (it boggles the mind) three decades.

The town didn't support the Browns when they were there (they had miserably low attendance even in 1944, the freakish war year when they actually won the pennant), but they are remembered. They also inspired a delightful book about baseball of that era, "Even the Browns."

The Atlanta Braves sometimes seem to be trying hard to outbad the Browns, but without the colorful extravagance of the Browns (or the Mets of their bad period), although Perez did his bit to brighten things up when he was there.

But whenever two teams of more-or-less equally talented players—and these (speaking of major league baseball as a whole) are the best players in the world, after all—get on a baseball diamond, anything can happen. And, unlike timed sports, in baseball, as Yogi Berra said, it ain't over till it's over. There's still a chance in the ninth with two outs and two strikes.

Now, if they'll shoot all designated hitters...And put eastern teams in the East divisions and western teams in the West divisions...

Play Ball.

Guest Column—

## Metaphors We Are Governed By

**Editor's Note:** The following is the text of the farewell address made by Dr. Dennis Rygiel to the University Senate. Dr. Rygiel was recently succeeded as chair by Dr. Ben Fitzpatrick '52, professor of mathematics.

**By Dennis Rygiel**  
**Professor of English**  
**1987-88 Chair of the University Senate and President of the General Faculty**

I would invite you to explore with me today some general notions about metaphors and their bearing on some specific metaphors related to our institutional identity. I say "explore" designedly. I don't intend to offer a series of theses with supporting evidence but to do something much more tentative: to sketch for you a new view of metaphor, one based on recent linguistic and rhetorical theory, and then to try to see what

that new view might reveal about some metaphors I have seen operating in our thinking about the university, especially our thinking about university governance.

The view of metaphor I want to sketch for you is derived primarily from a recent book by George Lakoff and Mark Johnson called *Metaphors We Live By* (Chicago: U. of Chicago P, 1930, 1-13). Lakoff and Johnson are reacting in part to the common view of figurative language in general and metaphor in particular. According to that view, metaphor is a comparison that is not literally true, the kind of thing you find in literature, especially poetry, where it is used to dress up what is being said. The common view is well captured by Ogden Nash in a humorous poem called "Very Like a Whale" in which he ironically assumes the point of view of the man in the street. He says:

"One thing that literature would be greatly the better for

Would be a more restricted employment by authors of simile and metaphor.

Authors of all races, be they Greeks, Romans, Teutons, or Celts,

Can't seem to just say that anything is the thing it is but have to go out of their way to say that it is like something else."

Lakoff and Johnson, however, take a very different line, the one taken in current linguistic and rhetorical theory: namely, that metaphor pervades everyday life, that metaphor is in fact the ordinary way of expressing things. The reason is that our ordinary conceptual system is fundamentally metaphorical, and metaphor thus governs our thinking, our communicating, and our acting. I don't have time to explicate this theory in detail, so I would simply ask you to consider one example in which our ordinary conceptual understanding of something is metaphorical and that metaphor structures both our language and our actions.

In our culture, as Lakoff and Johnson show, argument is conceived as war. We say, for example:

Your claims are *indefensible*.

He *attacked every weak point* in my argument.

His criticisms were *right on target*.

I *demolished* his argument.

I've never *won* an argument with him.

You disagree? Okay, *shoot*.

If you use that *strategy*, he'll *wipe you out*.

He *shot down* all my arguments.

Here is what Lakoff and Johnson say about this example: "It is important to see that we don't just *talk* about arguments in terms of war. We can actually win or lose arguments. We see the person we are arguing with as an opponent. We attack his positions and we defend our own. We gain and lose ground. We plan and use strategies. If we find a position indefensible, we can abandon it and take a new line of attack. Many of the things we *do* in arguing are partially structured by the concept of war. Though there is no physical battle, there is verbal battle, and the structure of an argument—attack, defense, counterattack, etc.—reflects this. It is in this sense that the ARGUMENT IS WAR metaphor is one that we live by in this culture; it structures the actions we perform in arguing."

Several points are important here. First, metaphor works not by comparison but by identification: not argument is *like* war but argument *is* war. As Lakoff and Johnson say, "the essence of metaphor is understanding and experiencing one kind of thing in terms of another." Second, to identify argument with war is the *ordinary* way of understanding, talking

about, and carrying on an argument in our culture. Third, we are rarely, if ever, conscious of the war metaphor that governs our thought, language, and actions when we argue. In this way the metaphor is as invisible as the air we breathe but as pervasive and as depended on. Four, metaphor always involves both highlighting and hiding. That is, to understand and experience one kind of thing in terms of another leads us to focus on one aspect of a concept and to exclude other aspects that are not consistent with the metaphor we are using. By way of example let me quote Lakoff and Johnson again:

"... in the midst of a heated argument when we are intent on attacking our opponent's position and defending our own, we may lose sight of the cooperative aspects of arguing. Someone who is arguing with you can be viewed as giving you his time, a valuable commodity, in an effort at mutual understanding. But when we are preoccupied with the battle aspects, we often lose sight of the cooperative aspects."

I hope that I have said enough so that you will at least entertain the view of metaphor I've sketched: namely, that we are governed by metaphor in the sense that our thinking, communicating, and acting is structured, controlled, *governed* by the metaphors we use. Now I would like to shift to specific metaphors by which we are governed in a more restricted sense: metaphors for the university and their bearing on university governance. I want to discuss two metaphors that I have seen operating in my 16 years here: 1) AUBURN UNIVERSITY IS A FAMILY; and 2) AUBURN UNIVERSITY IS A BUSINESS. The family and business metaphors have been the dominant ones over the years, with the business metaphor now clearly having supplanted the family metaphor. I would like to take up each metaphor in turn, pointing out each's characteristic expressions, indicating what each highlights and what it hides, and ultimately offering an evaluation of each in terms of its appropriateness and the kinds of effects it produces.

The family metaphor is most obvious in references to the "Auburn family," references which used to occur with some frequency on campus, but the family metaphor is also involved in the following expressions:

He's an *Auburn man*.

His veins run *orange and blue*.

An *Auburn person* wouldn't do anything like that.

They have contributed a lot of money to the *Generations Fund*.

Who is the *bead* of your department?

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They just don't *belong* here.

She has the *Auburn spirit*.

That's not a matter for the public; it's a *family matter*.

The family metaphor highlights the social aspect of the university; the emphasis is on individuals' relationships to the group and to each other, and the quality of those relationships is paramount. Thus when we use the family metaphor, we see ourselves as belonging to a close-knit group, a group of people who care about us, people we can trust, people we feel comfortable with, people we want to be loyal to. In short, we care about the group and we care about each other. While highlighting this positive set of social relationships, however, the family metaphor also hides or at least downplays other aspects of the concept "Auburn University." For example, it downplays political considerations. I am thinking both of the familial response to "outsiders"—people who are different from us—and of the familial view of university governance, where the proper thing to do is to leave such governance to those in charge, the administrators. The family metaphor also tends to hide other aspects, including the economic aspect of accountability and of impact on the economy and the academic aspect of priorities and program expectations. In terms of appropriateness and effects produced, the family metaphor is of real but limited value. The metaphor has lost some of its appropriateness as the university has become larger, more complex, more diverse, and more ambitious academically. Still, the emphasis on loyalty to the institution and on the quality of personal relationships has been one of Auburn's greatest assets, and I would certainly hate for us to lose entirely either our sense of loyalty or our concern for personal relationships. On the other hand, insofar as the family metaphor has contributed, directly or indirectly, to our not welcoming people who are different from us, to paternalism in university governance, and to comfort with the status quo, I see the family metaphor as problematic and a hindrance to the institution.

The second and more recently dominant metaphor is AUBURN UNIVERSITY IS A BUSINESS. Of the many expressions of this metaphor, by far the most ubiquitous is the watchword "productivity," which occurs in countless documents and conversations on this campus every day. But there are other expressions as well, for example:

You've got to find some way to *sell* that idea.

What do we *look like* compared to the *competition*?

That's the *up side*. What's the *down side*?

He needs more *bottom line consciousness*.

What we need around here is a good *manager*.

They have to get more *aggressive* or they'll have to get out of the education *business*.

We need to do a better *p.r. job*.

They had to let him go; he just didn't have the *numbers*.

The business metaphor highlights the economic aspect; the university is understood and experienced in terms of a business whose success can be measured according to various sorts of productivity (degrees, contracts, grants, publications, etc.). The emphasis thus tends to fall on the quantifiable as a way of demonstrating both accountability and economic impact. Competitiveness becomes central. The institution competes with other institutions for funding, students, faculty, and staff; individuals compete with each other for rewards (salary, promotion,



**FUTURE MAESTROS**—Everybody got into the act during the annual "Pops in the Park" concert at Graves Amphitheatre recently. The event features the Auburn University Symphony Orchestra, accompanied by youth musical groups from around the area—in this case, the Suzuki violin class.

—Photo by Mike Jernigan

tenure.) But in highlighting the economic aspect of the university, the business metaphor hides social, political, and academic aspects. To a great extent the business metaphor is the antithesis of the family metaphor. It shifts the focus from loyalty to the institution to contractual obligations and compensation for services rendered; and it shifts the focus from the quality of personal relationships to employee productivity and competition for financial rewards. With respect to the political aspect, however, the business metaphor is only partly different from the family metaphor in what it hides. The partial difference is that the business metaphor doesn't see some people as family and others as not belonging, but sees all as employees here to do a job. Both the business and family metaphors are alike, though, in the matter of university governance, simply leaving such governance to those in charge, those (in the business metaphor) called management. As for the academic aspect of the university, the business metaphor hides academic considerations by transforming academic processes (doing research, learning, teaching) into products (publications, technologies, degrees), and by reducing the conditions that facilitate such processes to material conditions alone (resources, personnel, facilities).

In terms of appropriateness and effects produced, the business metaphor, like the family metaphor, is of real but limited value. Given problems in stable and adequate funding and the emphasis on increasing the prominence and significance of the university's research function, the business focus on accountability and economic impact is appropriate—if kept in perspective. It is also true, of course, that a university does not have the same purpose as a business; its reason for being is not to make a profit for itself or anyone else. Certain effects of the business metaphor are valuable too—again, if kept in perspective. Productivity and accountability are reasonable considerations for a modern university, and a certain degree of competitiveness is useful. The problem is that the effects of the business metaphor get magnified all out of proportion by

the current cultural climate in America so that they tend to block out other considerations. Thus, productivity and accountability, which are means to an end, start looking like ends in themselves; and competitiveness imperceptibly shifts to aggressiveness since in both institutional and individual competition aggressiveness may be the difference between winning and losing. (And speaking of winning and losing, I might mention here business' penchant for sports metaphors.) In an essay called "Foul Play: Sports Metaphors as Public Doublespeak," Francine Hardaway comments on why business finds sports metaphors so congenial. The 1976 essay is reprinted in *The Living Language: A Reader*, ed. Linda A. Morris et al. (San Diego: Harcourt, 1984, 243-50). First, the goal in sports is given—to win—and so there is no need or occasion to raise questions about what the purpose of the activity is. Business likes that. Second, "sports are an acceptable form of releasing aggressive impulses," an acceptability that business would like to acquire for its own brand of aggressiveness; the use of sports metaphors is an attempt to transfer the acceptability from sports to business and thereby avoid some uncomfortable ethical questions.

At any rate, the net effect of the business metaphor, at least in some people, is to foster a sense of rugged individualism in which questions of loyalty and personal relationships have little or no place, and in which academic matters become means to an economic end. As the number of such people increases in an institution, the whole character of the institution is likely to be affected.

At this point, if you have found any merit or plausibility in what I've been saying about the family and business metaphors, you're probably wondering where we go from here. The metaphors we've been governed by are ultimately inappropriate in important respects and lead to certain effects that are problematic at best and may be seriously harmful. But these dominant metaphors are not easy to change. Even now the compelling business metaphor has supplanted but not altogether eliminated the family metaphor. And the business metaphor itself, reinforced by so many influences inside and outside academe, has become so powerful that, for many, it has become the ordinary way of understanding and experiencing the university. For such people, there is no other legitimate understanding and experience of the university: AUBURN UNIVERSITY IS A BUSINESS. Given this situation, I have but two suggestions. The first is to try to bring more prominence to other metaphors for the university, particularly ones that counter what is inappropriate or harmful in the family and business metaphors. One such metaphor has persisted over the years here as a kind of quiet but insistent counterpoint to both the family and business metaphors: the metaphor AUBURN UNIVERSITY IS A LIVING ORGANISM. The characteristic expressions of this metaphor do not involve words like "living organism" but imply that metaphor. Here are some examples:

As the university *matures*, there may need to be some changes in governance structure.

Academic integrity is crucial to the *life and health* of the university.

The University Senate exists to promote the academic *well-being* of the university.

What is the *atmosphere* on campus like?

That decision did a lot of *harm*.

The organism metaphor, depending on the particular context, can highlight the academic aspect of the university or the wholeness of the

university as an entity. What is appealing to me in this metaphor is the sense of inner well-being when all the parts are allowed their proper functioning and indeed are functioning properly. I see a particular relevance to university governance in which, for the well-being of the university, faculty members must be allowed an appropriate, significant degree of participation—at all levels, from department to college to university—and faculty members must in fact follow through and actually participate, bringing their collective intelligence to bear on the development and implementation of academic policies and programs. Another metaphor is that of collegiality, i.e., AUBURN UNIVERSITY IS A GROUP OF COLLEAGUES. The value of this metaphor is that it works against polarization into them and us (e.g., management and labor); it views all as members of a group of people united by a shared vision and sense of purpose, working intelligently together, in an atmosphere of mutual trust and respect. I think that metaphor has a lot to offer.

I said I had two suggestions. Besides recommending greater prominence to metaphors that counter the dominant metaphors, I would suggest that we all develop greater awareness of and sensitivity to the metaphors we are governed by, particularly the metaphors we are governed by in the university. Those metaphors are not simply matters of style, linguistic trifles; those metaphors structure our thinking, our communicating, our acting. If they control us, we cannot, properly speaking, be said to think at all; and without careful thought, a real university cannot exist.

#### Editor's Column—

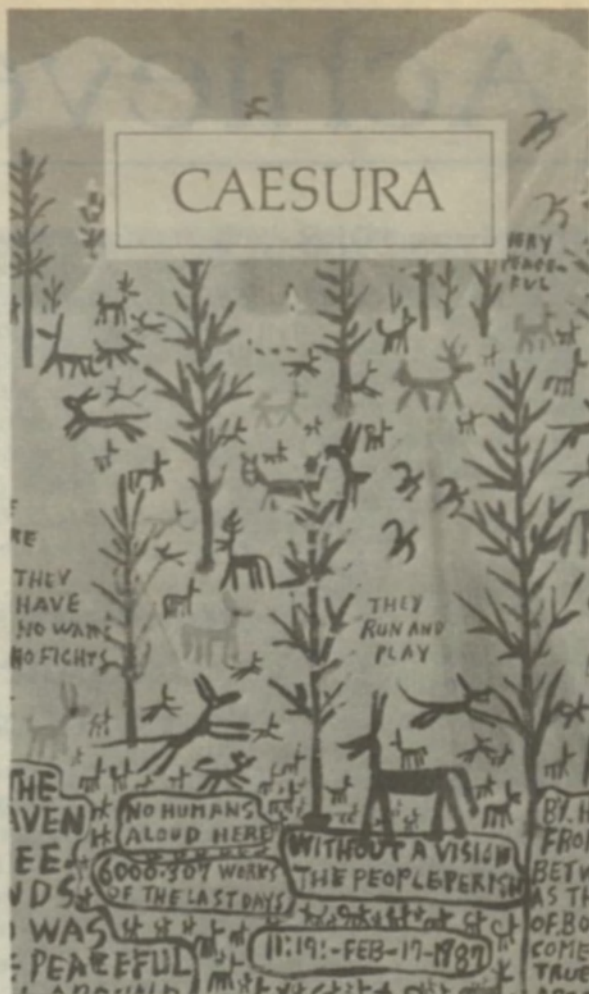
### Visit Auburn While You Still Recognize It

By Kaye Lovvorn '64

For several months now I've threatened to write a column headed, "Come See Auburn While You Still Recognize It." The final spur in that direction came on a late April visit to Goodwin Music Building when I found closed streets blocking me in two directions. Progress is a very insidious—and personal—thing. And it's enough to make schizophrenics out of most of us.

Those of you who have class reunions this summer will have a unique opportunity to see Auburn in mid-shift—just gearing up for the major changes coming to the campus in the next couple of years as buildings are completed and the focus of whole schools changes. The last time such a metamorphosis hit the campus came in 1969 with the opening of Haley Center and the tearing down of Alumni Gym. Before Haley Center opened, Samford Hall drew hundreds of students a day into classes in English, history, speech, and journalism. Future teachers filled the halls of Thach. In pre-coliseum days, Alumni Gym, located where the patio and addition to the Union Building now stand, held dancing girls, swimming classes, and other physical education activities.

All of a sudden, or so it seemed to one who was away from campus from April to July 1969, everything changed. The non-scientific departments of the School of Arts & Sciences (now the College of Liberal Arts) picked up classes, faculty, and department offices from Samford and other scattered locations and moved them into Haley



**VISIONARY ART**—The upcoming issue of *Caesura*, Auburn's literary magazine, will feature a painting by Georgia artist Howard Fenster on the cover. Copies of *Caesura* are available to alumni for \$2.75 from the English Department.

Center. The School of Education joined Arts & Sciences in Haley, vacating Thach Hall for the year-old School of Business to expand into. Student traffic up the back steps of Samford Hall dropped to a trickle as the academic focus of campus changed to Haley Center. And Samford underwent a remodeling (which those of us who remember the wide open halls and staircases have always despised) and became the haven of administrators.

With further consideration of the upcoming changes, I probably exaggerate. Perhaps the changes on the immediate horizon will not alter the campus as much as those of the summer of '69, but they will be of major importance. Right now, the hotel and conference center on South College is looking toward a September opening, which should be followed by activities drawing thousands of businessmen, government leaders, academicians, and others to Auburn for meetings, seminars, etc.

Just south of the conference center, steel beams indicate the outlines of the new Alumni Center, which should be complete by the end of the year. Then, we of the Alumni & Development staff will vacate the first and third floors of the Union Building, drawing alumni to the new building rather than to the heart of campus. Alumni in greater numbers will be coming to the facility as alumni programs grow and additional numbers of activities meet in the building. Thousands of additional alumni will come to see their names on the marble wall on the first floor as donors to the new building with their gifts of \$500.

Festivities the final weekend in April signalled the beginning of the long-awaited construction of a library addition that will double the size of Auburn's 25-year-old library. Located just across South College from the hotel and conference center, the addition will provide a major boost to all Auburn's academic programs. The fundraising effort by the Alumni and Development Office

for \$5 million to complete the funding for that building has now passed \$4.1 million.

Auburn's academic programs will receive another boost with the new chemistry building, located on the site of the old Graves Center cottages, to the right of Ag Hill. A couple of blocks away, the new athletic center is well on its way. Plans are also underway for a new building for business, a life sciences building, and a building for engineering—all of which should be under construction in the next two years.

The schizophrenia occurs as we want both to see Auburn improve and meet the needs of its faculty, students, and alumni and to see it stay the same. One consolation for those of us who have mixed emotions about progress, even as we look forward to it—oases of the familiar will remain. Graves Amphitheater and its clump of towering pines remains a place of serenity amidst the cacophony of progress around it.

#### Theatre & TV

If any of you recently were rebels enough to watch *Probe* instead of *The Cosby Show* at 7 p.m. on Thursday, you'll have seen an Auburn theatre graduate in action. Ashley Crow '82 is the delightful heroine of a new mystery in which she and the ultra-scientific hero use computers, etc., to solve crimes and other puzzles. The inter-season show turned out to be a new favorite at our house, where we're mystery and science fans. Fouts first saw the show when he was out of town, and as we watched it the next Thursday night, I kept trying to figure out where I'd seen the heroine. Finally, when I read a squib about *Probe* in the TV listings, I recognized the name and realized I'd not seen Ashley on TV or in a movie but at the Auburn Theatre. (Not a soap opera fan, I'd missed her other TV series.) Alex Harvey '84, the new *Birmingham News* TV writer, reminded us that last week's show was the last for the interim new series. However, we'll be pulling for *Probe* to turn up again in the summer and next season.

#### Caesura

Naturally, student publications are near and dear to my heart—particularly *The Plainsman*, which lets us all know it's Thursday; and *The Auburn Circle*, the general interest magazine, which was a part of my life for ten years. The newest student publication is *Caesura*, a literary magazine, which began two or three years ago and has renewed itself this year with graduate student leadership and an emphasis on experimental writing. Scott Bishop, co-managing editor of the magazine, describes *Caesura* as focusing on "experimental work from people who are serious writers but don't have a name."

Scott and her fellow managing editor, Jill Buchanan, are seeking alumni subscribers. Although *Caesura* normally sells for \$3 per copy, alumni can receive a copy by mail for \$2.75. This year's issue of *Caesura*, which is about the size of a small paperback book, is due out in early May. It will contain four short stories and twenty poems from widely scattered writers including an Auburn undergraduate. Scott and Jill also share the responsibilities of poetry editor. Marion Motley-Carcache and David Jones are fiction editors. The cover (pictured on this page) is taken from a painting by visionary artist Howard Fenster. Dr. Ashton Nichols of the English Department is advisor for the publication and Prof. Anne Markle of the Art Department is art director. Other members of the editorial staff are Mary Belzer, Blair Hobbs, and Maria Smith. Copies are available for \$2.75 from *Caesura*, The English Department, Auburn University, AL 36849.

# Unusual Achievements



Jan Snider '82

## Jan Snider Co-hosts Nashville Network's American Magazine

Jan Snider '82 debuted in April as co-host of "American Magazine," The Nashville Network's (TNN) first original daytime series. The show airs midday, Monday through Friday, and includes features on home, fashion, leisure, fitness, and do-it-yourself auto maintenance. Jan also serves as a producer of the show.

Jan has worked for TNN on two other programs, "Crook and Chase" and "This Week in Country Music," as a reporter, producer, and substitute host. She has also worked as a promotions representative for Opryland. Before moving to Nashville, she worked as a morning news anchor for WRBL-TV in Columbus, Ga.

## Frank Tatom Hits Tenth Year with Huntsville's EAI

Engineering Analysis Incorporated (EAI) of Huntsville is celebrating its 10-year anniversary, thanks to founder and owner Frank Tatom '62. EAI is a consulting engineering firm that works in the areas of environmental engineering, nuclear analysis, atmospheric science, and computer software generation. As Dr. Tatom explains, his company "simulates physical phenomena and solves complex problems with digital computers."

EAI's success stems partly from Dr. Tatom's extensive experience. He has worked in the engineering departments of Du Pont, Northrop, and Texas Instruments, was chief scientist with Science Applications International, and has taught at Auburn, Georgia Tech, the University of Alabama in Huntsville, and the Southeastern Institute of Technology in Huntsville.

Winner of a number of NASA's New Technology Awards, EAI's list of clients includes NASA, TVA, the Strategic Defense Command, and the Army Corps of Engineers.

## Floyd Receives 1988 Horticulture Award

In April, John Alex Floyd, Jr., '70, who was recently promoted to marketing services director of *Southern Living* and *Southern Accents* magazines, received the American Horticultural Society's 1988 award for horticultural communication. Dr. Floyd is cited, along with Southern Progress Co., for expanding the horticultural awareness of the Southeastern U.S.

Dr. Floyd joined *Southern Living* as senior horticulturist in 1977 and has also served as editorial director for *Cooking Light* and *Creative Ideas for Living*. Under his direction the garden section of *Southern Living* received three national awards for editorial excellence in 1979. In 1983, the garden and landscape staff was honored again with national magazine awards.

During Dr. Floyd's presidency of the Birmingham Botanical Society Board, a new master plan was implemented for the Botanical Garden.

## Parker '70 Named Commander of USS Spruance

Cmdr. Travis Wood Parker, Jr., '70 was recently named commanding officer of the USS Spruance, the most powerful destroyer in the Navy, which is homeported at Mayport Naval Station, Fla. He has served as executive officer of the USS Moosbrugger, a White House Fellow as a special assistant to the secretary of transportation, a member of the Strategic Concepts Group in the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, and as administrative aide to the secretary of the Navy.

Cmdr. Parker's awards include the Legion of Merit, Navy Commendation Medal, and Navy Achievement Medal.

## Judson Moses '13 Celebrates his 100th Birthday

Judson E. Moses '13 celebrated his 100th birthday on February 8. The Hamilton native makes his home in Atlanta, where he has lived since 1936. He spent the majority of his career as a regional representative of the National Cottonseed Products Association. He is also past secretary of the Georgia Seed Crushers Association.

Since his wife Lucile's death in 1955, Mr. Moses has maintained his own apartment. He has two children and two grandchildren who live in Atlanta.

## Venable '61 Elected President of APA

Jack Venable '61 was recently elected to a one-year term as president of the

Alabama Press Association. Since 1970, he has published *The Tallahassee Tribune*, a 3,600-circulation weekly.

Mr. Venable is a four-term member of the Alabama House of Representatives, to which he was first elected in 1974. In 1985 he was voted Outstanding House Member by his colleagues. He is also a member of the National Conference of State Legislatures' Task Force on Reapportionment.

## Woodward's Hixon Retires After 39 Years of Coaching

As the second-winningest football coach in Georgia history, Graham Hixon '48 earned placement this year into the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame. He retired in January from Woodward Academy in College Park, Ga., where he coached football since 1963, compiling an impressive 210-71-8 record.

Coach Hixon's other laurels include state championships in 1970 and 1980 and National Coach of the Year in 1985. He is also the creator of the "box T" formation. His overall coaching record is 279-91-17. During his career at Woodward, he has also taught honors algebra and coached the baseball team.

## Architect Pease Honored with \$10,000 Prize

J. Norman Pease, Jr., '55 of Charlotte, N.C., was recently named the first winner of the \$10,000 Kamphoefner Prize for contributions to modern architecture in North Carolina. The award is named for Henry Kamphoefner, founder and former dean of North Carolina State's School of Design.

Mr. Pease is chairman and chief executive officer of J. N. Pease Associates. His 41-year architectural career has included work on such projects as Duke Power's corporate headquarters, Charles Rivers Laboratories, North Carolina Central Prison, Southern Bell's computer center, and more than 10 buildings on the UNC-Chapel Hill campus.

Elected a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects in 1969, Mr. Pease and his firm have won more than 50 state, regional, and national design awards.

## Chris Kyrklund '72 Heads Investment Banking Division

Chris Trachsel Kyrklund '72 recently became the first female head of Central Bank's investment banking division headquartered in Birmingham. She is one of the few women in the country to reach such a position.

Mrs. Kyrklund, who oversees 200 employees, began her career with Central as a teller, then enrolled in the bank's

first management training class. She later managed new accounts and the money market division. She was most recently head of the investment management division.

## Three Alumni Honored for Ag Research

Three Auburn alumni were among 32 scientists receiving Hatch Act Research Awards at a recent South Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station banquet. The banquet celebrated the centennial of the Hatch Act, the federal legislation providing annual funds to support agricultural experiment stations in each state.

Ted Adkins, Jr., '52 and Sidney Hays '53 earned honors for their contributions to entomology, and Harold Musen '51 was recognized for his research in agronomy and soils. Mr. Adkins, an entomological consultant in Clemson, S.C., was a pioneer in the control of livestock parasites through novel insecticide application techniques. Dr. Hays, Clemson's entomology department head since 1969, conducted research into identifying and controlling key insect pests of Southeastern peaches and peanuts.

Mr. Musen's research on soybeans was instrumental in establishing the crop in the Southeastern U.S. He retired from Clemson in 1987 after 32 years of service.

## Hillman Holland's Art Gallery Sells Avant-Garde Art in Atlanta

Hillman R. Holland '73 has been included in the 1987 issue of *Who's Who in American Art*, the annual publication of the nations leaders in the arts.

He is owner and director of the Hillman Holland Fine Arts in Atlanta, which is recognized as one of the most important contemporary art galleries in Atlanta, specializing in the exhibition of international avant-garde art. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Atlanta College of Art and of Nexus Contemporary Arts Center. He was also included in the 1986 *Marquis Who's Who in the South and Southwest*.

After graduating from the Atlanta School of Law in 1976, he studied the arts at Parsons in Paris at the Musee des Arts Decoratifs, the Attingham School in London, the Winterthur Museum Summer Institute in Delaware, the Hans Krieks Masterclass in New York, the Inchbald School in London, and the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts in North Carolina. He maintains an interior design practice, specializing in medical and dental space planning, and he also serves as chairman of the board of the International Society of Interior Designers.

# Features

## Rygiel's Year as Senate Chair an Eventful One

By Mike Jernigan '80

Teaching. Research. Service. Basically the three goals of a land-grant university such as Auburn, but also the goals around which Dennis Rygiel has tried to mold his 16-year career as a member of the English faculty.

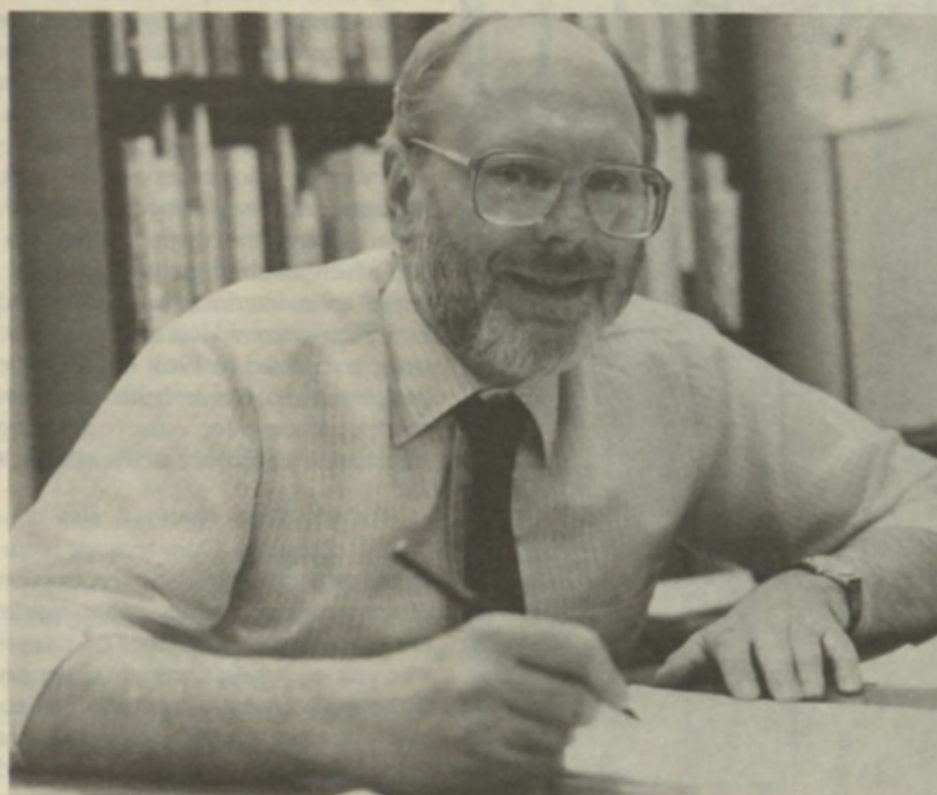
"I've had a balance of all three from the very beginning," says Dr. Rygiel, who recently completed a term as chairman of the University Senate after serving three years as a senator and another year as chair-elect. "I enjoy teaching and research, but I've always been interested in university service also."

Dr. Rygiel joined the Auburn faculty in 1972 with a background in Old and Middle English, but since his arrival, he has taught a wide range of courses offered by the department. Several of the courses—English composition, contemporary rhetoric, stylistics—tie in with his research interest in rhetorical theory and oration in medieval and modern times. In addition, he has served on numerous departmental and university committees and acts as associate director of the freshman English program along with his Senate duties.

While he doesn't like to talk about his own accomplishments, preferring instead to dwell on the achievements of the Senate, Dr. Rygiel's colleagues and fellow Senate members are quick in their praise of both his scholarship and dedication. "His intellectual intensity and excitement bring a classroom alive," said Miller Solomon, a fellow English professor who has known Dr. Rygiel for 16 years. "He has the most careful intellect I've ever come across. He has a high regard for clarity of mind and expression—qualities he expects of himself and others. On academic matters, if you make a point to him, you better have good reasons to back it up, because he has the integrity to speak his mind if he feels you're ill-prepared on an issue."

Math professor Ben Fitzpatrick '52, who succeeded Dr. Rygiel as chair of the Senate in April, said that working with him as chair-elect provided an educational experience. "Dennis is an extremely effective spokesman for the faculty, and he provided very sound leadership for the Senate. With him as chair, the Senate had one of its most productive years ever. And despite the time-consuming nature of serving as chair, he always went out of his way to try and help me prepare for the job."

As his administrative duties have increased, Dr. Rygiel has been able to spend less time in the classroom. But he has strong ideas on what makes a good teacher. "A teacher must set up favorable conditions for learning," he said. "He needs to be enthusiastic—to care about his subject and his students.



**TIME TO RELAX**—English professor Dennis Rygiel recently completed a one-year term as chair of the University Senate and is now looking forward to more time in the classroom and for research. During his tenure, the Senate had one of its busiest years ever.

—Photo by Mike Jernigan

Good teaching is a matter of caring enough about the material to want to help others understand it as you do."

While Dr. Rygiel adds that research is important to good teaching, he is quick to point out that the question of teaching versus research is a difficult one. "There's no simple answer regarding the role that research should play in one's teaching. Faculty members should definitely be involved in research and scholarship, but the question becomes—what do we mean by involvement? Scholarship doesn't necessarily relate to publishing quantity. Sometimes research doesn't result in publication."

"I'd like to see more reliance placed on the judgment of people in one's own area when it comes to gauging the quality of one's scholarship," he continued. "It's a varying and complex issue."

Dr. Rygiel is well-accustomed to dealing with complex issues. During his year as chairman, the Senate considered issues as mundane as the revision of the Senate constitution and problems as emotionally charged as a change in the university's academic honesty code brought on by the case of Auburn quarterback Jeff Burger. The latter issue put the Senate in the public spotlight more than at any time since the Auburn tenure of Hanly Funderburk, when the Senate and president clashed openly and often. Just as then, the reaction from the public was not always favorable.

"Many people feel that the faculty should not become involved in matters of university policy, but nothing could be further from the truth," Dr. Rygiel said. "When the Senate makes suggestions to the president and board of trustees, it is simply serving in an advisory role as called for in the Senate constitution. Our

responsibility is to provide the president with the very best advice we can give. We don't make the decisions."

"I think the Senate has a good working relationship with President Martin and his administration," Dr. Rygiel continued. "The chair and chair-elect meet every two weeks with the president and executive vice president, so we work together closely. Dr. Martin has been very open and candid in his dealings with us and I think we have been the same with him. If we don't always agree, at least I think we can understand each other's positions."

While the Senate occasionally finds itself in the news, the majority of its business is conducted relatively quietly. Such has been the case during the past year, when issues of vital importance to the university's academic well-being such as revision of the core curriculum and increases in admission, retention, and graduation requirements have been on the agenda.

"I don't think anyone could have predicted what kind of year it would be," said Dr. Rygiel, adding that even four years of Senate experience as English senator and chair-elect had not fully prepared him for the rigors of being chair. "An unusual number of important matters were discussed this year, and the dealings on the Senate floor were just the tip of the iceberg—most of the real work goes on in committee. The core curriculum committee, for example, met more than 70 times."

Other important matters acted upon by the Senate this year include recommendations for initial rank and tenure for Extension specialists, guidelines for faculty evaluation of university administrators, and a new class attendance policy. So busy was the calendar, in fact,

that the Senate met 15 times rather than its usual ten. All this activity made Dr. Rygiel's position as chair an unenviable one, especially in addition to his usual faculty responsibilities. Still, he is proud of what the Senate achieved.

"I think even the Senate is surprised at the amount it accomplished this year. The work is usually not exciting or glamorous, but the Senate's steady achievements and continuity have become increasingly important to the work of the university, and, I believe, indispensable to its academic well-being."

Giving up the chair, Dr. Rygiel adds, is indispensable to his own well-being. He has valued the experience, but he is ready to pass on the responsibilities to his successor, Dr. Fitzpatrick. "I'm still too close to the job to know if I enjoyed it. I have enjoyed meeting people from across campus and gaining a university-wide perspective. But it has been very taxing—during the year when one is chair, the Senate pretty much takes up most of their time and energy. Still, I'm pleased to have played a part in the process of seeing so many important issues through to completion. Seeing the Senate handle complex matters in a serious, yet civil way has been very satisfying."

## Summerlin Enjoys Keeping Busy Around the House

The next time you get tired of seeing your work around the house piling up, consider the plight of Michael Summerlin.

Michael's "house" has 132 rooms, 29 fireplaces, and contains 1,071,000 cubic feet of space. His "yard" is 19 acres, with a lot of pesky trees to mow around. In addition, the house is getting a little old—almost 200 years old. Add to all that the fact that some 1,500,000 visitors tromp through the house every year, and you might be a little more appreciative of the relative scale of work that needs doing around your own home.

A 1972 graduate of the School of Architecture, Michael is project manager of the White House liaison office of the National Park Service in Washington, D.C. As such, he helps plan and oversee all construction projects at the president's home, from new facilities to handle the flood of visitors to security-related projects designed to foil terrorist attempts on the president's life. Construction at the White House is a constant process, with some 30 separate projects currently underway.

A Luverne native, Michael always wanted to be an architect. "When other kids were drawing rockets and airplanes in first grade, I sketched house plans," he recalled. "Architects are born—not taught. I never wanted to do anything else." A number of his relatives had



**WORKING AROUND THE HOUSE**—Keeping up with the household chores is a big job for Luverne native Michael Summerlin '72, especially since he is responsible for all construction and renovation projects at the White House in Washington. —Photo by Mike Jernigan

attended Auburn, and, with the excellent reputation of the School of Architecture, Michael never considered going anywhere else.

Looking back, he feels he made the right choice. As a student, however, he sometimes wondered what he had gotten himself into. "There were times when my friends in other majors would take off to a movie or something while I spent the night working on a design project. I still remember how difficult the curriculum was."

As if the regular five-year architecture program were not enough, Michael coped, working during alternating quarters with an architectural firm in Montgomery. It cost him another year in school, but the experience paid off by helping him land a job with a Washington firm before the ink on his diploma had dried. After spending nine years with the firm, during which he bought and rebuilt an 1800s vintage Capitol Hill townhouse and became interested in historical renovation, he joined the National Park Service in 1981. There, his interest in historical architecture grew.

"Renovating or restoring old buildings is especially challenging because you never know what you might be getting into," Michael said. "Usually, there are no accurate original drawings, and even if there are, changes made to the building over the years often make them inaccurate. You never know when you might come upon a hidden wall or some other structural surprise."

"Another interesting aspect is trying to match the existing materials and structural details with the building materials and craftsmanship currently available," he continued. "In many cases, the original materials and construction

techniques can't be matched, so it is a matter of imitating them as closely as possible."

In some cases, new buildings have to be designed to handle the large number of visitors to the historic sites managed by the Park Service. These structures must blend into their surroundings as much as possible. But in most instances, facilities such as gift shops and information centers are built into already existing structures so as not to interfere with the historic flavor of the sites.

One of Michael's first projects for the Park Service involved designing a visitor and information center at the farm of the late President and Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower in Gettysburg, Pa. Since then he has worked on projects at Valley Forge National Historical Park, Independence Park in Philadelphia, Colonial Battlefield Park near Williamsburg, Va., and the Jefferson Memorial in Washington. He has also served as consulting architect on Park Service teams involved in several cooperative overseas projects, including one which proposed concept designs for national parks in Saudi Arabia, and another that designed visitor and information centers for the New Delhi Zoo and a preserve for tigers and other wildlife in India.

However, Michael's newest responsibility is his greatest challenge yet. Begun in 1792, the White House is one of the world's most famous and historic buildings. It serves as both the residence and office of the president and the base for the many functionaries associated with the executive branch of government. Over the years, the building has undergone numerous changes to reflect the tastes of the presidents who lived there, the most controversial being a

balcony on the South Portico added at the insistence of President Harry S. Truman. Due to these changes, the modern White House looks somewhat different from the one which President John Adams first occupied in 1801.

In fact, Michael points out that the only remnants of the original structure are the sandstone walls of the main building. Adams' White House was put to the torch by the invading British in 1814, rebuilt in 1816, then subjected to several major renovations over the years, the most massive being a 27-month project during the Truman administration which involved gutting and replacing the entire interior structure. West and East Wings were added over time—the latter, completed in 1943, included the first presidential bomb shelter—to allow more space for the growing administrative offices of the First Family's staff.

Today's White House is also constantly changing. One recently completed project involved the construction of a new visitor screening area to handle the ever-increasing number of tourists who visit each year. Currently underway is the replacement of concrete barriers hastily erected during a terrorist scare several years ago with others designed to blend into the White House setting. A repainting of the building's exterior has been going on for six of the eight years of the Reagan administration. All these projects are carefully planned and coordinated with the First Family; a city planning committee, which reviews them for historical accuracy and aesthetic appeal; and the Secret Service, charged with protecting the president.

Once approved, most projects are scheduled around the needs of the First Family as well as the planners of state functions at the White House. Part of Michael's job is keeping all these groups happy, while at the same time coordinating the various projects to make sure they remain on schedule. "The White House really serves three functions—as a residence, an office, and a historic site. Many of our projects are scheduled so as not to disrupt the daily tours, and a lot of the heavier work is done when the president is away."

The Park Service is also responsible for maintaining the White House grounds, consisting of 19 acres of carefully landscaped gardens containing trees chosen by each of the presidents who has lived there. These trees range from an American elm planted by John Quincy Adams to stately magnolias brought from Tennessee by Andrew Jackson. As with the house itself, the Park Service attempts to remain as true as possible to the original landscaping plan.

While the job isn't always easy, Michael relishes his position of responsibility for one of the most recognizable buildings in the world. It is not a responsibility he takes lightly. "Coming from a small Alabama town, I never thought I would one day be doing anything like this," he said. "I try to keep it in perspective, because there are many other people who help take care of the White House, too. I'm just glad to have a part in trying to maintain the image of beauty and dignity the White House projects to the world. I feel quite honored to be in this position."

## Thornton Awaits Her Day as NASA Space Traveller

By Mary Ellen Hendrix '84

Kathy Thornton claims she doesn't know what she wants to do when she grows up. But, almost in the same breath, she says, "I would like to go to Mars. I want to look around, explore, see what's there."

But Kathy is no school girl talking dreamily of travels to distant planets. No, this space traveller *will* break the bonds of earthly limitations, for she is one of NASA's 13 female astronauts and currently awaits assignment to a Space Shuttle flight.

Kathryn Cordell Thornton '74 is a woman of action with a great deal to say about the things that interest her. She led a relatively quiet life as a physicist at the Army Foreign Science and Technology Center in Virginia from 1980 to 1984. Then, word came that she'd been selected as a NASA astronaut candidate. Her spirit of adventure was sparked and she began the journey that will one day carry her to space. She moved from Charlottesville, Va., to Johnson Space Center in Houston, Tex., leaving behind husband Stephen, a physics professor at the University of Virginia, and her two stepsons. In July 1985, she completed her training and evaluation program, allowing her assignment as a mission specialist on a future shuttle flight.

Not only does Dr. Thornton handle separation from her husband, she also raises their two daughters, Carol Elizabeth, 6, and Laura Lee, 2, by herself in Houston. She willingly made sacrifices because she said if she didn't accept NASA's invitation, she'd wonder all her life what it would have been like. Of being separated from her family she said, "You just cope. You do what you have to do. We see each other when we can. So far, it's worked out, but it's not the way I want to spend the rest of my life. I don't think I could have survived as long if my husband wasn't as supportive as he is. He gets down about every three or four weeks for long weekends."

How do the children react to Mom being an astronaut? "They don't think it's any big deal," Dr. Thornton said. "It's the way things have always been as far as they're concerned. Their friends' mommies and daddies are astronauts and they don't think it's anything special."

Her common sense approach has served her well in her NASA duties but she elaborated on other qualities required of astronauts: "You have to be self-directed, a self-starter. You get a job to do and you just go off and do it. Generally, you don't get step-by-step direction on how to do something. Most importantly you have to enjoy learning, because that's what you'll continue to do through your whole career here."

Her experience with the space program thus far has exposed her to many learning opportunities. "Training is never over. You stay in what we call the pilot pool, meaning you continue in the simulators to maintain proficiency until you get assigned to a flight. We also have technical jobs in the office."

Dr. Thornton's most recent job included spending two or three days a week at Kennedy Space Center, working on the emergency escape and rescue operations. "We made a lot of changes on the launch pad which we think will make for a safer escape if we were to have a problem on the vehicle. And not just for the flight crew but for anybody who works on the pad structure during hazardous operations—they're on a 195-foot level or above in many cases."

The new escape procedures will be applied to the shuttle launch scheduled for August. Simulations were scheduled for the end of March and early April. "We practice some kind of emergency and we won't know what it is," Dr. Thornton said. "We'll pretend we're ready to launch and then they'll call with an emergency and say, 'Everybody clear the pad.' And we'll go from there. We'll also do some runway things where we pretend that the flight crew needs help getting out."

Dr. Thornton has also worked with the testing of all flight software. She spent a year-and-a-half in the shuttle avionics integration laboratory, taking the simulator through the flight phases to ensure that the software performed as required.

During a space shuttle mission, assigned nine months to a year in advance, Dr. Thornton will be one of a five-member flight crew. Her specific duties will depend on what payload her flight carries. As she explained, "We're trained to do a lot of the generic type things, such as satellite launches and space walking. That's just a basis. When you get assigned to a mission, that determines specifically what you do. You may use some of that training or you may not. But at least you have a starting point."

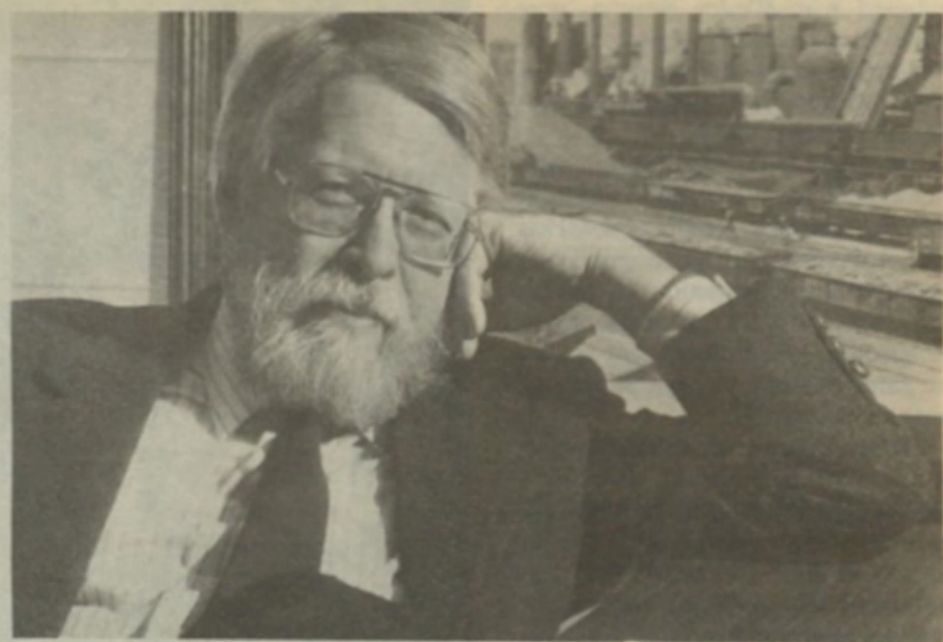
Dr. Thornton won't be grounding herself after just one mission. She plans on remaining with NASA and flying on a number of shuttle flights. What she loves most about her job is that it's always changing. "As soon as you learn something, you move on to something else. There's nothing routine about it. It's a lot of fun."

Although the adventuresome side of Dr. Thornton wants to go to Mars, realistically speaking, she doesn't believe it will happen in her career lifetime. She recognizes there are other vital steps to be taken closer to home before a trip to Mars could occur. "We need to get a space station up to start with," she said. "I think that needs our support at this time. And then, perhaps we can move on from there to a lunar colony—developing an outpost on the moon."

"We need to learn to sustain ourselves in space. We aren't going to be able to carry everything we need to go to Mars. For long durations of space flight we need to learn about reusing air and water and things like that, which we're going to learn on the space station. The time you don't want to learn that is halfway to Mars. We're looking for a space station in the mid to late '90s right now."

Dr. Thornton believes the biggest dividend of the space program is the knowledge attained. She sees various sections of society as having unique roles to play in this educational quest. "That knowledge finds its way into all of our lives, into our economy and products and things of that nature. The university's role is to support that, and a lot of the research starts at the university level. Then the experiments are done in space, and that's where NASA gets involved, in implementing those. But the basic ideas generally come from the research level both in the government and the universities."

Dr. Thornton is quite familiar with the research done at the university level. A physics major at Auburn, she went on to attain her master's and doctorate in physics from the University of Virginia. She has participated in nuclear physics research programs at Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Indiana University Cyclotron Facility, and the Space Radiation Effects Laboratory. She also was awarded a NATO Postdoctoral Fellowship to continue her research at the Max Planck Institute for Nuclear Physics in Heidelberg, West Germany, before working at



**SPECIALIST IN GENERALIZATION**—Hudson Professor W. David Lewis holds a joint appointment in history and engineering as one of the professors teaching Technology and Civilization, an alternative history course.  
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the Army Foreign Science and Technology Center.

Of her time at Auburn she said, "I remember having a good time. I remember that it was friendly, unpretentious, and very open and warm. Not every place is like that. I attended because I didn't know what I wanted to do when I grew up. I figured I would take the hardest road and any other choices would be easier. And that philosophy has served me fairly well."

## History's Lewis Specializes in Generalization

By Julie Hinds '88

"Until I was about 40 years old, I was not sure if I had chosen the right profession in life," notes W. David Lewis, Hudson professor, who holds a joint appointment in both history and engineering. Swayed by his father, an Episcopal minister, Dr. Lewis began his studies in pre-theology. But, his ministerial endeavor was short-lived because of the influences of his mother's love for music and his father's deep-seated interest in history. "My mother came from a family of seven children, and all of them played an instrument," Dr. Lewis said. "My grandfather was a drummer, and my uncle, a trombonist, played with Tommy Dorsey in the early '20s."

Once struggling between history and music, Dr. Lewis discovered through the years that he could do both. "During the week, I am a historian at the university, but on Sunday I play the organ at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Auburn." Dr. Lewis' "ministry in church music" has lasted almost 33 years.

Dr. Lewis has always avoided specialization. "There is pressure to narrow your interests so you can know more and more about less and less," he said. "But I could never force myself to specialize in just one thing." When he became interested in the history of technology, he realized it would lend itself to this generalized approach. "In order to teach the history of technology, you have to take a world history

approach," he said. "You have to link things that happened in a variety of countries at different times."

Dr. Lewis brought his fervor for technological history to Auburn in 1971 to initiate an alternative history series, Technology and Civilization. The classes became an instant success, and have become one of the most popular course series offered by the History Department. "I wanted to give students a perspective on the way in which technology—acting together with cultural, political, economic, social, and religious factors—has changed the world," Dr. Lewis said. "The basic theme of the classes is technological change from prehistoric times to the present."

In the classes, Dr. Lewis tries to balance study between technology and the civilization which created it. For example, he lectures about the development of the great cathedrals in Europe, showing how building technology and religion worked hand in hand. "Sometimes we will be talking about technology and religion, and other times we will talk about technology and political developments," he said. "The connecting thread in this course is always technology."

Dr. Lewis hopes his enthusiasm for the subject is contagious and admits he gets caught up in his teaching. "When I get into a classroom, I lose a sense of who I am," he said. "It's like going into a trance and waking up 50 minutes later."

Because of the technological emphasis, 40 percent of his students are from the College of Engineering. Dr. Lewis says that satisfying the needs of engineering was one of the reasons for beginning the alternative history program. Due to the increasing interest from engineering students, the department has had to expand the program in order to meet the needs. "Auburn is a land-grant university with all sorts of technological fields, and we have to take care of students in those curricula, too."

Though he generally avoids specialization, Dr. Lewis' study of technology has led him to develop a strong interest in the history of aviation. He has written several books on the subject, including *Delta, The History of an Airline*, co-



**AIRBORNE**—Astronaut Kathryn Thornton '74, middle, tests her wings along with James S. Voss and Linda Godwin. The astronauts in training get a feel for zero gravity in the KC-135 aircraft as it performs parabolic curves over the Gulf of Mexico, which provides 30 seconds of weightlessness per curve.  
—NASA Photo

authored with Wesley Newton, now retired from the History Department, and *The Airway to Everywhere*, a history of USAir, written in collaboration with William Trimble.

Dr. Lewis credits Dr. Newton with promoting interest in aviation history at Auburn. The History Department still has five professors who have published works dealing with aviation. Along with Dr. Lewis and Dr. Trimble, other professors involved in aviation studies are James Hansen, Stephen McFarland, and Guy Beckwith.

Though it may seem isolated, Auburn is an obvious place to develop a fascination for aviation, according to Dr. Lewis. "We live in an area full of aviation history," he said. "Fifty miles to the west is Maxwell field, down in Pensacola we have the Naval Air Station, to the north is Huntsville's space center, and eastward in Atlanta is the second-busiest airport in the world. There is not another place in the U.S. that has more aviation activity within a 200-mile radius than Auburn."

Along with aviation, the iron and steel industry also intrigues Dr. Lewis. Several years ago, he got an offer to write a history of Sloss' Furnace in Birmingham. Closed now, Sloss was once the second-largest heavy industrial firm in the South. "I have gotten deeply involved in writing a history of Sloss and am learning a great deal about the history of Birmingham and North Alabama," Dr. Lewis said.

Regardless of where his interests lead him, Dr. Lewis admits that he will never stray far from airplanes. His fascination with the history of flight will remain his chief concession to specialization. "I am deeply committed to aviation, and I plan to write on aviation history until I die."

## Readers Theater Makes All the World a Stage

By Steven Stiefel '89

The young man makes his way to the right wing of the stage, blind in the darkness as his group prepares to advance up onto the brightly lit platform. Thoughts of rehearsal and reassurances of line memorization dash around his brain while his body tingles with a surge of adrenaline. He can't see his audience from the stage, but he knows they're there. He murmurs his lines, anxious about the long-awaited entrance his group will be making before the unseen audience in just a few seconds.

Although tense, performing a dramatic scene is curiously appealing—a little bit like ascending the first crest of a rollercoaster ride. Acting, usually an experience that few get to share, is now enjoyed by many non-theatrical students, thanks to Readers Theater, a verbal interpretation and performance of literary works. The extracurricular event is coordinated each quarter by Dr. Robert Overstreet, Speech Department professor and instructor of the winter quarter Readers Theater class.

"It comes from a very old tradition," he explained. "It's an activity which parallels the times when families shared literature and folk tales aloud around a chimney or campfire. There was no



**SHORT STORIES COME ALIVE**—Rick Goff and Gena Herring rehearse Hemingway's "Hills Like White Elephants," which was presented this winter as part of a selection offered by Readers Theater. —Photo by Steve Stiefel

television or radio to keep families entertained like today, so the entire family would sometimes participate, taking on several roles. In the 18th century in London, many people would gather and read play scripts for popular entertainment. More importance was placed on reading in those days."

This long tradition of oral interpretation is the foundation of Auburn's Readers Theater. "A similar activity, Village Readers, was already in existence when I came to campus in 1970," Dr. Overstreet said. "That name sounds almost as colorless as Readers Theater. I'd like to change the title to something which would stimulate more creative ways of thinking among the participants in it—maybe Readers Experimental Theater, because it's always an experimentation. The idea of interpreting literary works on the stage really appeals to me."

Student participants are given a chance to try their hand at acting while being introduced to literature they might otherwise miss in their regular studies. "Placement and performance are organized precisely," Dr. Overstreet said, "but there's not a lot of activity on stage, no elaborate costumes, and not much movement. Regular theater has extended, time-consuming, and visual demands. Readers Theater requires rehearsal time and memorization, too, but not to the degree of a regular theater production. Both require talent, dedication, and a willingness to work, but the time requirements with a fully-produced show are much more demanding."

Readers Theater doesn't go full circle in characterizations as one might in a dramatic performance. The descriptive nature of prose is retained through narrators who convey the action in the same wording as the writer who originally composed it, and the experience of literature becomes a shared one. In Readers Theater, the audience's own imagination, skillfully probed, provides the necessary characterization. The process is much like listening to a radio show. One hears voices and effects, but mentally visualizes the speakers and their actions.

Amy Isbell, a senior in speech communication, enjoyed her experience with Readers Theater. "I had always been interested in trying out for a theater production, but didn't feel like I had the time or talent," she said. "I got my chance to try acting on a smaller scale and found it was definitely an educational experience. Participating in Readers Theater helped me discover how to face an audience without shyness or fear. I learned how to relate ideas, and it was fun to become someone I'm not. That was the most difficult part, but also the most rewarding."

Each winter quarter, Dr. Overstreet allows the students in his Readers Theater class to select, rehearse, and present short stories. This past winter, students presented six American works, including "Hills Like White Elephants," by Ernest Hemingway; "Two Soldiers," by William Faulkner; and "Babylon Revisited," by F. Scott Fitzgerald. This quarter, there are two shows, "The Count and the Princess," directed by Beverly Kelly, and "If There Are Gods Inhabiting In Chaos...", directed by Dr. Overstreet himself.

Dr. Overstreet regards this last performance as one of the most inter-



**A LABOR OF LOVE**—Dr. Robert Overstreet, Speech Department professor, combines his love of learning and books with avid enthusiasm to successfully conduct the Readers Theater program.

esting he has worked with. "We are creating this show by pulling together portions from different works of literature. The content has to do with physics principles. I've matched ideas and quotes from physics theories—beginning with Einstein's Theory of Relativity—with literature which echoes, illustrates, turns upside down, or in some way relates to them. The play is a study of how literature and science reflect or parallel each other."

"The current theory of physics is that the universe is not an ordered thing, and operates not by principle, but by chaos," he continued. "The show's title comes from a poem by Conrad Aiken, a contemporary of T.S. Eliot. The presentation will show the imaginative nature of physics and literature when they are blended together."

"I'm very excited with the idea," he added. "We're aiming for an opening up of thought processes that allow us to see correlations, to make leaps between one kind of study and another, one kind of human intellectual experience combined with another."

Dr. Overstreet enjoys exposing students to serious works and the ideals within them, and he feels a certain amount of gratification in expanding the intellects of willing young minds. Besides, the experience also offers him a chance to learn.

In selecting literature for shows, he has an enormous pool to draw from each time, but what literary piece would Dr. Overstreet choose to perform if he had but once more to do so? "That's going to change from day to day," he joked. "Literature takes on a completely new interest due to personalized interpretation and reading aloud. My choice would vary because I enjoy reading so many different things."

## Alabama Roadsides To Blossom from Flower Research

By Mary Ellen Hendrix '84

Drivers in Alabama may notice some changes in roadside scenery in about three years. Auburn researchers, along with the Alabama Highway Department, are investigating the use of wildflowers for beautification of the state's roadways. Not only are the flowers expected to make the roads prettier, but they should play a vital role in road safety and litter control.

Dr. Ray Dickens '64, Agronomy and Soils professor, leads the research as supervisor of the three-year, \$72,000 project. Funded by the Alabama Highway Department and the Federal Highway Administration, the research contract took effect spring 1987 and has included work by Dr. Dickens; a research associate; a field technician; and Cliff Dixon, a landscape engineer with the state highway department.

Dr. Dickens has worked a number of times with the highway department, especially in the area of vegetative management, but this is his first work with wildflowers. He commented on the core aspects that sparked this research. "We're all aware that the roadsides in

Alabama are not the most attractive," he said. "We have a tremendous litter problem. Also, over the last eight to 10 years, we have switched to a monoculture on the areas close to the road, meaning just one species growing—which is common bermuda grass. That's attractive in that it provides a uniform height and color, but a monoculture gets monotonous. We're trying to maintain uniformity but also introduce some color and variation along the roads."

The wildflowers will be used within the roadside vegetation management system already in place under the auspices of the Alabama Highway Department. Presently, the department controls growth by mowing and selective spraying of herbicides. Spraying costs about \$10 an acre compared to \$25 to \$30 an acre to mow. Also, herbicides reduce the frequency of visits from about every two weeks to once a month or less. The wildflowers used must withstand the herbicides and thrive in spite of them.

Other restrictions also apply. Roadside wildflowers must meet federal standards of road safety—no vegetation may be more than 18 inches in height (except in unmown areas where it doesn't impair vision) and all areas within 30 feet of the pavement must be free from obstruction. In addition, the researchers decided early on that they would only consider flowers native to Alabama. Dr. Dickens and his team last year evaluated a number of different

species that grew wild on the roadsides and came up with two likely candidates, *verbena rigida* and showy evening primrose.

The *verbena* is a bright purple, perennial flower. Flowering from spring through November, it spreads vegetatively with its extensive root system. Also perennial, the primrose has large white pinkish blooms in the spring and early summer and is a prolific seed producer.

Samples of the two species have been brought to the campus greenhouses and fields of the Turfgrass Research Unit. Evaluation of the wildflowers includes many factors, as Dr. Dickens explained: "We look at how deep we can bury these vegetative parts and have them sprout, what effect fertilization has on them in competition with bermuda grass, and whether a growth regulator can differentially slow the growth of the bermuda and let the wildflowers have a competitive edge. We look at the effects of temperature and drought on germination from seeds. We will run some experiments looking at the chronological development from seed to when the plants first begin to perenniate or form root stock."

In addition to gathering this basic information, Dr. Dickens plans to collect extensive soil samples to determine why the flowers grow in certain areas but don't grow in adjacent areas. He hopes these samples will reveal whether soil factors control the occurrence of the

species or whether occurrence stems from the distribution.

*Verbena* and primrose have already shown a tolerance of herbicides, and Dr. Dickens believes they will work well under the existing maintenance program. "We hear quite often that if we stopped spraying herbicides, we would be wall-to-wall in wildflowers," said Dr. Dickens. "That's simply not so. It doesn't happen that way. Wildflowers, generally speaking, require a somewhat open soil situation and not much competitive vegetation for them to establish and persist."

"We have that for the first few years after a highway is constructed. But, as the vegetation develops, the competition becomes severe and you have an ecological shift towards perennial species that are creeping types, drought-tolerant, and able to survive without open soil areas. So we have a natural succession. The only real way that you can maintain some of these wildflower areas in our part of the country is to go back in and disturb the existing vegetation."

The last year of the contract Dr. Dickens plans to go to the field with the *verbena* and primrose species. After the research is finished, which may require an extension of the contract, the team will begin a two-to-three-year implementation phase. Thus, Alabama drivers shouldn't expect to notice any results on the roadsides for a few more years.

Wildflower application has captured the interest of most states, according to Dr. Dickens. The extent of use, however, depends on funding and climate. North Carolina, which has allocated a great deal of money to roadside cultivation, even has an automated irrigation system for their wildflowers. Texas, with its 1,046,000 acres of right-of-way, made large-scale plantings of evening primrose, bluebonnets, and Indian paintbrush. Georgia also has a wildflower project underway. However, with all the other states' experimentation, there has been little research on the best methods of wildflower propagation, especially within the framework of herbicide programs. The researchers at Auburn and the Alabama Highway Department hope their project will correct that lack of information.

The timing of the wildflower research couldn't be better, since Governor Hunt has emphasized cleaning up the image of Alabama, both for the attraction of tourists and industry. "I've been very interested in Governor Hunt's support in this area," Dr. Dickens said. "I feel that the time is ripe. We could have some kind of a coalition brought together to make litter cleanup a big thrust in the state. The litter problem will never be solved except through education of the public, instilling a little pride in the state. It's an enigma to me how you can go across the state line and see a tremendous difference. It's not a matter of how much garbage is picked up; it's a matter of how much garbage is thrown down. How we've allowed ourselves to get into this situation is beyond me."

"It's a proven fact that if an area is free of litter, it'll remain that way until the first piece or two falls, and then you have an avalanche. If you don't let that

first piece of litter lay there, you have very little litter problem. I would like to see enough public outcry to allow for some legislation against litter. But without public awareness and commitment, the legislation is not going to be effective."

"I've always been concerned about the appearance of the roadsides," Dr. Dickens said. "The best thing about our research is the possibility that we can do something that would be a continuing contribution."

## Of Mice and Men: AU Assists in Efforts to Save Rare Beach Mice

By Mike Jernigan '80

The battlefield is quiet now. On clear days, bathers splash in the surf and serious tan-seekers lie baking in the hot sun. But the beach is littered here and there with the debris of invasion—construction sites for more high-rise, high-profit condos. Besieged from above, their numbers dwindled, the remaining defenders still huddle together in their bunkers, deep within the dunes.

But thanks to the efforts of environmentalists, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and researchers from the Alabama Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Service unit at Auburn and the State of Florida, the battle between mice and men for control of portions of Alabama and Florida beachfront property has been largely resolved. Seriously threatened by development as recently as 1984, the majority of critical habitat for three endangered subspecies of beach mice is now under public control.

Once common along the length of Perdido Key in both states, the Perdido Key beach mouse is limited to roughly 100 specimens living along a 1.2-mile stretch of dunes at the Alabama Gulf State Park. Along with fellow endangered subspecies, the Alabama and Choctawatchee beach mice, the Perdido Key mice live in burrows typically located amongst the dunes within 500 yards of the surf line. The wide-eyed, lightly colored rodents are currently the subject of several ongoing research projects conducted by the state Fish and Wildlife Service unit at Auburn.

Working under the auspices of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Dr. N.R. Holler, associate professor of zoology and wildlife science and leader of the unit, is currently studying the populations of all three subspecies. His work includes monitoring mouse populations, predators, and habitat; relocating mice to previous habitats in attempts to reestablish populations; and establishing a captive breeding program at Auburn.

The mouse populations in the wild have shrunk dramatically in recent years due to the increasing pressures of development along a short stretch of Alabama and Florida Gulf Coast. In 1979, in the wake of Hurricane Frederick and the frenzied beach construction which followed, the numbers of all three



**FLOWER POWER**—Agronomy and Soils professor Ray Dickens '64 examines a young plot of *verbena rigida* wildflowers, which in coming years may help beautify Alabama roadsides. —Photo by Mike Jernigan



**MOUSING AROUND**—Wildlife Biology graduate students Elizabeth Hill of Bloomington, Minn., left, and Karen Fleming of Prattville get up close and personal with a Perdido Key mouse. The two are assisting in a captive breeding program at Auburn for three subspecies of endangered beach mice. —Photo by Mike Jernigan

subspecies of beach mice plummeted. The Perdido Key mice were especially hard-hit, with a 1981 study estimating the population at a critically low 26 specimens. As a result, the three subspecies were put on the Federal Endangered Species List, putting some restraints on development in areas inhabited by the mice and provoking a war of words between developers and environmentalists over the necessity of saving them.

Research into causes for the decline in numbers of beach mice continues, but it is clear that the booming development along the Gulf Coast has been the major culprit. More than 70 percent of original beach mouse habitat has been destroyed by beachfront construction in the last half-century, most in the last 10 years. As a result, the mice have been isolated to small stretches of beach where their fragile populations are extremely susceptible to damage from storms and disease. There is also evidence to indicate that domesticated cats and even house mice—brought in by residents and vacationers to beach condominiums and homes—are destructive to beach mice through predation and competition for food.

While the mouse populations have rebounded somewhat from 1984 levels, Dr. Holler said the situation is still critical, especially for the Perdido Key mice. "We've seen an increase in the

number of mice, possibly due to heavy sea oat production along the coast in the last several years. Sea oats are thought to be their major food source. But that's not necessarily good news. Populations can fluctuate rapidly, and because the colonies are limited to small areas, they are particularly susceptible to damage from storms, drops in food supplies, or disease.

"The Perdido Key mice have been reduced to living along a one-mile stretch of beach on the western end of Perdido Key, on land owned by the State of Alabama," he continued. "Although their habitat is protected from development, all it would take to wipe them out would be one hurricane or serious disease epidemic."

In an effort to safeguard against such a natural disaster, Dr. Holler and the graduate students assisting him have been working to help reestablish a second colony of Perdido Key mice on the eastern end of the island, on land that is part of the Gulf Islands National Seashore. Begun in 1986 with the support of the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission and the National Park Service, these efforts have involved the release into the area of several groups of marked, captured mice. Unmarked specimens have been captured in subsequent trappings, indicating that the mice have begun to breed in their new home.

"We're very optimistic about the success of this colony, since the original mice appear to be reproducing," Dr. Holler noted. "The endangerment of the subspecies is not nearly so severe if there are mice in several different locations."

Dr. Holler is also optimistic about the future of a breeding program now underway at Auburn, using specimens of all three endangered mice along with a fourth subspecies, the Santa Rosa beach mouse. The main purpose of the captive colonies is to provide a source of mice for use in repopulation efforts if all natural colonies are lost. But they also provide a chance for in-depth genetic investigation.

"We've already gotten litters of Alabama and Choctawatchee mice, though the Perdido Key specimens have yet to breed," Dr. Holler said. "Our goal is to establish 30 breeding pairs of each subspecies. This would give us additional insurance if something were to happen to the colonies in the wild."

"Dr. Michael Wooten of the Zoology-Wildlife Department is also doing some genetic work for us, using DNA fingerprinting so that we can get a better idea of the genetic makeup of each species," he continued. "He is working only on the Santa Rosa mice at this point, but hopefully we can apply what he learns to the other species eventually. One practical application of this research would be to enable us to trace the gene pool of colonies in the wild, thus allowing us to introduce new pairs if necessary to prevent inbreeding."

For now though, efforts to save the beach mice are centering on protection of remaining habitat, public acquisition of habitat now in private hands, establishment of new colonies using captured specimens, and educating the public about the plight of all three subspecies. Dr. Holler says it is too early to tell if these measures will be sufficient to save the mice, but he hopes their extinction can be prevented. "We are rapidly losing much of our natural beach environment, and we may be losing the beach mice even faster. The mice are important members of the dune community, a community that doesn't include a large number of vertebrate species. While we do not fully understand their ecological role, they are a unique and interesting life form worthy of our efforts to save them."



**LIVING ON THE EDGE**—The Perdido Key beach mouse is only found naturally along a 1.2 mile stretch of beach on Perdido Key, on the Alabama Gulf Coast. Studies underway at Auburn may help the endangered species avoid extinction.

## What's in a Logo? Auburn Symbols Helping to Fund Scholarships

What once was little more than a way of showing allegiance to Auburn and its athletic teams is now providing scholarships for a number of outstanding students.

By virtue of licensing agreements with a number of vendors, Auburn receives royalties of 6.5 percent of the wholesale price for use of official university logos and names. Such agreements meant a net income of \$186,948.88 during 1987, by far the most money in the five years the university has been involved in licensing its trademarks.

The program's first three years netted the university just under \$141,000, or an average of about \$47,000 per year. In 1986, the amount was up to \$86,340. The university's intake since the program began stands at \$411,179.13 through 1987.

Seventy percent of the money has gone toward President's Scholar Awards, four-year, \$1,250 scholarships awarded by the President's Office to National Merit Finalists. According to officials in the Office of Student Financial Aid, there are 47 of these Presidential Scholars now on campus. The increase in royalties for 1987 should mean even more students will benefit beginning this fall. The remaining 30 percent of the funding goes to the Athletic Department.

According to John Burgess, director of business services, the program has worked even better than university officials expected. "We had projected a net of around \$150,000 per year after five years of this program," he said.

The university has added manufacturers each year, with most of the major U.S. manufacturers now under contract. An agreement two years ago with Collegiate Concepts, Inc., (CCI) of Atlanta, furthered the cause. "CCI is our agent," Mr. Burgess said. "They look after our interests and make sure royalties are paid."

Auburn's licensed trademarks include the capital A superimposed over the capital U, the words "Auburn University," "Auburn" when used in combination with the university's colors, "War Eagle," the round university seal, the capital A with soaring eagle, and the leaping tiger.

# Alumnalities

1924-1944

**William M. Cox** '24, a retired pharmacist, lives in North Little Rock, Ark., with his wife, Frances.

**William D. Stewart** '26 of Grove Hill is a chemist and botanist. He cold processed synthetic rubber during World War II while working for the B.F. Goodrich Rubber Co. One of his most popular successes was discovering the rubber used commonly on canning jars. He has written numerous publications and holds many patents.

**Robert J. Leary** '27 is a retired architect living with his wife, Phyllis, in Richmond, Va.

**Fred L. Tucker** '28, a retired Air Force reserve officer, is a tree farmer. He and his wife, Eunice, live in Decatur, Ga.

**Jay N. Thomas, Jr.** '37, DVM, retired as an Air Force colonel in 1970 before working for 10 years with the Alaska Department of Natural Resources. He and his wife, Gladys, live in Valparaiso, Fla.

**John Depalma** '38 is an architect in Roselle Park, N.J. He and his wife, Florence, have three children.

**Alex Kharitonoff** '39, who is retired from the Army, recently retired as a professor of history at Pierce College in California. He and his wife, Sara Sargent '38, live in Colorado Springs, Colo.

**Zula Sylvest** '40 retired from teaching in 1962. She lives in Franklinton, where she enjoys aerobic exercise, painting, gardening, cross stitching, and making ceramic pottery.

**Charles A. Dubberley** '42 is retired from engineering management with G.E. Central Air Conditioning Department. He and his wife, Sally, live in Tyler, Tex.

**Vermelle (Vam) York** '42, a real estate broker and land developer, was a recipient of the 1988 Women of Distinction Award given by the Santa Fe Community College Women's History Organization. She serves on the Gainesville (Fla.) Area Chamber of Commerce. Her husband, **E. T. York** '42, was recently awarded a medallion from the University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine for his contributions to the development of the college. They live in Gainesville, Fla.

**Jasper E. Jernigan** '43 is retired from the USDA Extension Service. He and his wife, Henrietta, live in Auburn.

**Marvin J. Mariani** '43 is retired as a materials engineer from Southern Co. Services. He and his wife, Julia, live in Birmingham. The 1988 Sugar Bowl was their 371st consecutive Auburn football game.

**Howard E. (Gene) Cody** '43 retired Aug. 1, 1986, as a planner for the Alabama Department of Environmental Management. He retired as an Air Force colonel in 1970 after a 30-year career. He and his wife, Betty, live in Montgomery and have four children: Margaret, William '67, David '78, and Gene, Jr.

**Ora Mitchell Frazier** '44 and her husband, **Cooper L. Frazier** '42, live in Belle Mina, where he works with Consumer Loans.

1948-1949

**James F. Dietz** '48, an architect, lives in Mobile with wife Sylvia.

**Joyce Clements Walker** '48 is a broker and salesperson with Marie Powell Better Homes & Gardens Real Estate Company in Sarasota, Fla. She is also a member of the Million Dollar Club.

**David W. Mixson** '49 of Ozark is technical publications technician at Sikorsky Support Services, Inc. His wife, **Imogene Mathison** '63, is an academic dean at Wallace State Community College in Dothan.

1950-1954

**Burl V. Quimby** '50 of Chatham is a retired vocational director. He and his wife, Wilene, have three children—Larry '75, Keith '78, and Susan Q. Dispenza '80.

**Philip M. Richardson** '51 is secretary, treasurer, and general manager of Southern Theatres of Alabama, Inc. He and his wife, Sarah, live in Union Springs.

**Thomas E. Elliott** '51, an adjuster with Elliot Claims Service, and his wife, **Mary Dickson** '50, an elementary teacher at Elizabeth Fonde School, live in Mobile. They have a son and two daughters.

**Sara Warren Morris** '51 is director of finance for the City of La Habra, Calif., where she and her husband, **Donald B. Morris** '52, an engineering project manager for Rockwell International, live.

**James R. Farris** '52 is a retired pharmacist. He and his wife, Mary, live in Dothan.



**CIVIL ENGINEERING AT ITS BEST**—Harry E. Myers, Sr., '32, left, recently was named the Outstanding Alumnus in Civil Engineering for his 50 years of service to the engineering profession. Chairman emeritus of BCM Converse, Inc., of Mobile, Mr. Myers is a past recipient of both Mobile's and the state's Engineer of the Year awards. Making the presentation is Ed Ramey '65, head of the Department of Civil Engineering. —Photo by Jim Killian

**Betty Sanders Jordan** '52 and her husband, **James F. Jordan, Sr.**, '52, DVM, live in Montgomery.

**Robert J. Hammill** '53 of Summerville, S.C., is the manager of business development at Law Engineering, Inc. He and his wife, Mariola, have a son and three daughters.

**Myra Briscoe Horne** '53, a retired teacher, lives in Crestview, Fla., with her husband, Tommy.

**Ralph C. Carlisle, Jr.**, '53 is vice president and part owner of Coggin & Deermont, Inc., a highway construction firm. He and his wife, Bertha, live in Chipley, Fla.

**Eugenia Malone Zallen** '53, Ph.D., was selected by students at Purdue University as a 1987 Old Master, an award based on success and an honest, selfless approach to life. She is former dean and professor of home economics at East Carolina University.

**James E. Brown** '54, a retired Army colonel, is a real estate investor. He and his wife, Corrie, live in Marietta, Ga.

**Jerry D. Parker** '54 is president of SECO Enterprises, Inc., in Rocky Mount, N.C.

**MARRIED:** **Janice Walters Gilbert** '59 to **Julian H. Davis, Jr.**, '50 in December 1987. He works with the Postal Service as a mail carrier, and she is a home economics teacher and writer. They live in Tuskegee.

1956-1959

**W. Harold Moon** '56, a psychology professor at Augusta College since 1972, will be installed in August as president of Psi Chi, the national honor society in psychology. An Auburn faculty member from 1964 through 1971, he served as Southeastern regional vice president for three years prior to his service as president elect. His wife, **Kay Thiel** '57, works with St. Joseph's Hospital's Family Life Center in Augusta, Ga.

**Harold L. Schweinebraten** '56 recently was awarded Chicago Downs Agency's Man of the Year award as a field underwriter. The award recognizes outstanding leadership and contributions to the industry in 1987.

**David Smith** '56, co-owner of the Permina Color Corp. in Cleveland, Tenn., recently received the M. C. Headrick Free Enterprise Award, which is the most prestigious honor bestowed by the local Chamber of Commerce. He and his wife, Harriet, have two daughters, Carrie and Margaret, who both attend Auburn.

**Robert R. Cash** '57 is a senior engineer at Lockwood Greene Engineers. He and his wife, Marie, live in Marietta, Ga.

**John A. Zgouvas** '57 of Montgomery is a consulting engineer at Shaver & Zgouvas, Inc. He

and his wife, Mary, have a son and three daughters who all attended Auburn.

**Harrison M. Bryce** '57 is a field superintendent in the Horticulture Department at Auburn. He and his wife, Peggy, live in Salem.

**Dick W. McAdams** '57, president of McAdams Carpets, Inc., received the 1988 Outstanding Retailer of the Year Award from the National Congress of Floor Covering Associations. He serves as American Floorcovering Association's chairman of the board.

**Earle F. Lasseter** '57 recently retired as an Army colonel after being awarded the Legion of Merit. He now works in the law firm of Pope, Kellogg, McGlamry, Kilpatrick & Morrison in Columbus, Ga.

**William Jere Fain** '58 is business manager of Martin-Marietta Data Systems in Orlando, Fla. He and his wife, Margaret, have a daughter, Lisa '88.

**Edward L. Godbold** '58 is district manager of Alabama Gas Corp. and chief of staff for the 121st Army Reserve Command. He and his wife, Mary, live in Tuscaloosa.

**Leo D. Bowen** '58 is chief engineer of Lower Colorado River Authority. He and his wife, LaRose, live in Austin, Tex.

**Leland E. Wood, Jr.**, '58, owner of Wood and Associates, is president of TECHSYS, Inc. He and his wife live in Fairfax, Va., and have two children.

**Thomas L. Warren** '58, MD, practices with Catawba Ob-Gyn Associates in Conover, N.C. He is also a clinical assistant professor at Bowman Gray School of Medicine in Winston-Salem, N.C., and a member of the board of trustees of Gardner-Webb College in Boiling Springs, N.C.

**Donald R. Connell** '59 of Jupiter, Fla., is a development engineer with United Technologies Pratt & Whitney. He and his wife, Kaye, have two children, Douglas and Janis.

**Jane Sentell Preiss** '59 of Little Rock, Ark., is a graduate student at the University of Central Arkansas. Her husband, **George Preiss** '60, is the unit sales manager of Procter & Gamble.

**Leroy D. Gerard** '59 is architect and owner of Architectural Associates in Knoxville, Tenn. He and his wife, Dianne, have six children.

**Gary D. Moore** '59 is vice president of Farm Credit Banks in Jackson, Miss. His wife, **Joyce Campbell** '61, is chairman of the health and physical education department at Belhaven College.

1960

**Charles O. Guy** was recently appointed director of returns processing and accounting for the IRS. He lives in Holland, Penn., with his wife, **Sharon Sullivan**, and their sons, Chip, 19, and Stephen, 14.

**Howard A. Holley** is production manager for James River Corp. in Newman, Ga. He and his wife, Carolyn, have two children, Travis, a freshman at Auburn, and Cara.

**Nancy Kemp Lowry** and her husband, Gerald, own a Christmas tree farm near their home in Nacogdoches, Tex. She received her master's in agro-forestry from Austin State University in May 1987.

**Lewis Y. Ward** teaches at Robert E. Lee High School in Montgomery, where he lives with his wife, Betty.

**Richard D. Farris**, DVM, works for the Texas Department of Health in San Antonio, where he lives with his wife, Joy, and daughter Andrea. He is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Preventive Medicine and a member of the examinations committee.

**Max S. Bobo** is a labor relations representative with Lockheed Georgia Co. He lives in Gadsden with his wife, Charlotte.

1961

**L. Daniel Morris, Jr.**, is director of legal services at Blount, Inc. He and his wife, Melanie, live in Montgomery.

**LT. Col. Charles E. McDaniel** of Manassas, Va., retired from the Marine Corps in March 1983 and owns Kwik Kopy Printing in Springfield, Va. He and his wife, Jean, have a son and daughter.

**William H. Coble, Jr.**, is president and owner of Coble Furniture Center in Lewisburg, Tenn.

**Jimmy W. Masingill** of Daphne is a forester for Scott Paper Co.

1962

**Capt. Robert P. Buchanan** serves at the Naval Air Station in Atlanta. He and his wife, **Ardine Armstead**, have two daughters, Julia and Allyson.

**John Brandon Clifton** is a lawyer with Albright, Givhan & Clifton in Andalusia, where he lives with his wife, Martha. He is a member of the Association of Insurance Attorneys and is president of the Covington County Auburn Club. In 1984, he became the first Samford University law graduate to be asked to join Samford's Board of Trustees.

**Lynette Kidd Gilbert** teaches adult education for the state mental health department in Thomasville, where she lives with her husband, Jerry.

**James R. Garnett** works for Martin Marietta as a project manager. He and his wife, Linda, live in Slidell, La.

**Oscar E. Davis, Jr.**, an attorney, works for Friday, Eldredge & Clark in Little Rock, Ark.

**Robert L. Allen** is executive vice president with Aquatech, Inc. He lives in Cookeville, Tenn., with his wife, Janice.

**William H. Henderson**, a senior project manager for Donohoe Construction Co. in Washington, D.C., recently completed the chancery redevelopment for the Embassy of Japan. He and his wife, Elizabeth, have two sons and a daughter and live in McLean, Va.

1963

**James E. Windham** is a principal in Okaloosa County (Fla.) He lives in Crestview, Fla., with his wife, Linda, and their two sons, Vincent and Kevin.

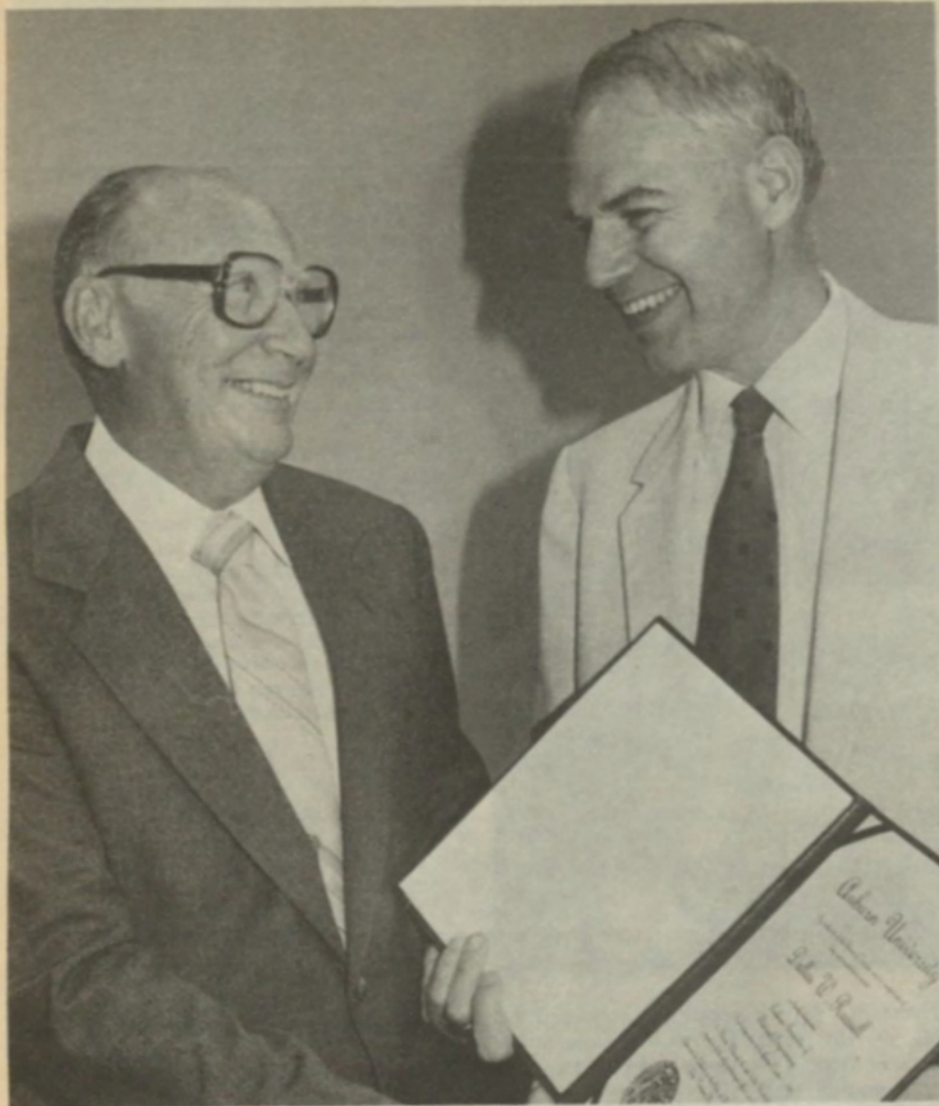
**Phillip L. Medlin** works for Delta Airlines as a pilot. He and his wife, **Pat Little** '62, live in Marietta, Ga., and have two children, **Shea** '87 and Shana, a junior at Auburn.

**Lee Watkins** is chief executive officer and chairman of the board of SouthTrust Bank of Marion County. He lives in Hamilton with his wife, Luvinia, and their three sons: Jeffrey, Stephen, and Tracey.

**Stewart G. Phillips** was recently named president of the Marion County Board of Education. He is the chairman of language arts at Northwest Alabama State Junior College. He has two sons, **Glen** '87 and John, and lives in Bear Creek with his wife, Dorothy.

**N. Claiborne Porter, Jr.**, of Anchorage, Alaska, owns NCP Architects and Planners and is president of NCP Construction.

**Glenn Reese** is a supervisor with the Collegiate Athletic Association. He officiated basketball games in Russia, Poland, and Austria during the summer of 1986. He lives in Inman, S.C., with his wife, Janis, and their four children: Glenn, Jr., 17; David,



**RUSSELL RETIRES**—Auburn Electrical Engineering Department Head David Irwin, right, congratulated Dallas W. Russell in October on his retirement from the EE faculty. Professor Emeritus Russell began teaching at Auburn in 1960.

16; Kathryn, 13; and Michael, 7. Janis and Glenn own a Krispy Kreme in Spartanburg, S.C.

**Albert A. Lee** works for Dickey and Associates, Inc., in Montgomery as an electrical design engineer. He and his wife, **Linda White** '65, live in Greenville.

#### 1964

**Edmond E. Gibson** has been promoted to chief engineer of manufacturing for Ansell, Inc. He lives in Dothan with his wife, Anita, and their daughters, Amy and Joy.

**Jimmie Grogan Roberts** teaches home economics at New Smyrna Beach High. She and her husband, William, live in Edgewater, Fla., with their son, William, 15.

**Dan Waters** is an environmental manager of retail marketing for Tenneco Oil Processing and Marketing, where he recently received an environmental affairs achievement award.

**Arthur M. Brown** works for Glendale Hosiery as director of research and development. He lives in Siler City, N.C., with his wife, Joanne.

**Mary Emily Whiteside Lane**, a potter, lives in Auburn.

**J. Wayne McKinnon** owns McKinnon Motors. He and his wife, Lynn, live in Clanton and have two sons. Their son, Mark, is a freshman at Auburn.

#### 1965

**O. David Thomas** owns Dave's Carpet Cleaning and Dave's Lawn Care in Pensacola, Fla., along with a Christmas tree farm in Auburn.

**James M. McKinney**, Ph.D., works for Westinghouse-Bettis as an engineer. He and his wife, Karen, live in Pittsburgh.

**Carolyn Forbus Perry** teaches at Baker High. Her husband, **Steve Perry**, is a manufacturing manager with Alkzo Chemicals. They live in Mobile.

**Fred M. Petersen** is a consultant and lives in Lovell, Wyo., with his wife, Inge.

#### 1966

**Jimmy Ray** owns J. D. Ray Co., a grain elevator and trucking company. He and his wife, **Becky Arnold** '59, live in Americus, Ga., and have three children: **Kathy** '88; **Ginny**, a senior at Auburn; and **Jim**, a sophomore at Auburn.

**W. Jack Nivens, Jr.**, is assistant controller of corporate finance for WestPoint Pepperell. He and his wife, Melody, live in West Point, Ga., and have five children: Claire, Julie, Kimberly, Karen, and Brad.

**H. H. (Hank) Conner, III**, is an associate professor at the University of Florida. He and his wife, Jerre, live in Gainesville, Fla., and have two children, Laura Lee and Jeremy.

#### 1967

**William Wade Douglas** of Urbana, Va., works for the Virginia Institute of Marine Science as a scientist.

**Lawrence Kirkpatrick, Jr.**, is planning supervisor for Interface in LaGrange, Ga.

**U. Col. Alfred J. Ramsey** works for Roy M. Huffington, Inc., in Houston, Tex., as supervisor of the flight department. He lives in Kingwood, Tex., with his wife, **Mary Morgan** '66, who teaches first grade at New Caney Elementary.

**Robert Hosea Brogden** practices law in Ozark.

**W. Allan Boomer** is a warehousing superintendent for PPG Industries in Wichita Falls, Tex.

**Luther A. Williams, Jr.**, owns Earth Products in Marietta, Ga.

**Millie Green Rocheleau** is training coordinator for Gayfers and teaches aerobics. She lives in Montgomery with her husband, **Robert George Rocheleau, Jr.**, '68, who owns Safeguard Business Systems. They have two children, Rob, 17, and LeArden, 11.

**Miles L. Watson** is a CPA and partner with Ernst & Whinney. He lives in Tampa, Fla., with his wife, Ann, and their daughter, Ashlea, 16.

**Alice Lee Bentley** works for Ameritech Communications, Inc., in Marietta, Ga., as a regional office manager. She lives in Atlanta with her husband, **W. Ferrel Bentley, Jr.**, '66, an electrical engineer.

**Donald M. Elkins**, Ph.D., an associate dean in Southern Illinois University-Carbondale's College of Agriculture, has been elected a Fellow of the American Society of Agronomy.

#### 1968

**Rupert R. Bond** of Warner Robins, Ga., is an electrical engineer at Robins AFB, Ga.

**Albert E. Easterling** works for the Army Aviation Center at Fort Rucker as an aerospace

engineer. He lives in Enterprise with his wife, Laynea.

**Larry Wayne McGriff** is corporate director of business development for Tyger Construction Co., Inc. He lives in Spartanburg, S. C., with his wife, Carol, and their three children, Josh, Anna, and Rachel.

**John E. Aycock** has been named general manager of the plastic film division for GenCorp Polymer Products in Newcomerstown, Ohio.

#### 1969

**Charles K. May** works for Westinghouse in Monroeville, Penn., as principal engineer.

**Larry N. Wheeler** works for Southern Natural Gas Co. in Jackson, Miss. **Elizabeth Carr**, his wife, works for the Rankin County (Miss.) Board of Education.

**Scott Long** is regional sales manager for Flowseal Valves. He lives in Birmingham with his wife, **Kathy Reese** '67.

**Nelda Settle Mishoe** works for Barnett Bank of Jacksonville (Fla.) as assistant vice president and customer support manager in the cash management department. She lives in Jacksonville, Fla., with her husband, Mitch.

**Cheryl Taylor Watkins** lives on Randolph AFB, Tex., with her husband, Tom, and their two children.

#### 1970

**Randy Brackin** practices law with Martin & Brackin, Attorneys, in Dothan and is vice president of the Houston County Bar Association.

**Claudia Williams Meadows** is the Houston County agent for Auburn University and lives in Ashford with her two children, Robin, 16, and Tiffany, 11.

**Larry J. Stephens** has joined WestPoint Pepperell's stores division as a merchandise manager. He lives in Valley with his wife, **Jenny Anita Lester** '71, and their two children, Tiffany Michele and Larry Joe.

**George Menendez** is assistant to the president of Buckman Laboratories, Inc., in Memphis, Tenn.

**James Donaldson** is district manager of Flint River Mills, Inc., in Bainbridge, Ga. He and his wife, **Penelope DeVane** '72, live in Enterprise and have three children: Ashley, 12; Heather, 9; and Andrew, 3.

**Richard Ingwersen** is a CPA and attorney with Gifford, Hillegass, & Ingwersen in Atlanta. His wife, **Teresa (Terry) Weeks** '69, is operations manager for BellSouth Advertising and Publishing. They live in Stone Mountain, Ga., with their sons, Wes, 10, and Lance, 7.

**Rory Jenkins Lunetta** lives in Jacksonville, Fla., with her husband, Paul, and their children, Robert, 12, and Laura, 8.

**Phillip Knight** is an agent for Principal Mutual

Life Insurance in Decatur, where he and his wife, Karen, and their four children live.

**N. Phillip Burroughs** works in Melbourne, Fla., as a corporate manager and industrial engineer with the Harris Corp.

**BORN:** A daughter, Amanda Leigh, to Mr. and Mrs. **James Mills** of Dallas, Tex., on Sept. 14, 1987.

#### 1971

**John J. Dorsey, Jr.**, of Gig Harbor, Wash., is vice president of Tacoma Telco Credit Union.

**Brent B. Goodwin**, Ph.D., has been appointed director of faculty development for the department of family and community medicine at Eastern Virginia Medical School, where he is an assistant professor.

**Jennie Sue Pemberton** owns Pemberton's Boutique in Alexander City.

**Jimmy Pool** recently received the Sansone Service Award from the Alabama Trial Lawyers Association. The award is presented to honor a member's outstanding service to the Association. He practices in Montgomery.

**Elmer Logan** of Gulf Breeze, Fla., is an entomologist for Fireman Termite & Pest Control.

**Charlotte Wingfield** has been promoted to senior vice president of retail bank operations at Imperial Corp. of America.

**Robert J. Cibulsky**, Ph.D., works for Abbott Laboratories as a manager. His wife, **Diane Baxter** '73, is a pharmacist at Conell Memorial Hospital. They live in Libertyville, Ill.

**Lexa Magnus Beck**, a therapist, lives in Birmingham with her husband, Reb, and their three children: Daniel, 13; Matthew, 10; and Laura, 10.

#### 1972

**Barbara Ellen Chandler** teaches math in Richardson, Tex., and lives in Sachse, Tex.

**Marie Diamond Emfinger** is a teacher in Tallahassee, where she lives with her husband, **Thomas Emfinger** '59, a wholesale distributor for Lloyds Distribution Co.

**Kenneth Perrigin** has been promoted to vice president of materials management for Ansell, Inc. He and his wife, Alice, live in Enterprise and have a daughter, Auburn.

**Janet McClurkin Bridges** teaches at Baker Elementary in Mobile, where she and her husband, Bill, live.

**Warren E. Thomas, Jr.**, works for Gilbert/Commonwealth, Inc., in Knoxville as a project manager.

**Deborah Roberson Williams** teaches foreign languages in Ashland. She lives in Lineville and has two children, Heath, 10, and Heather, 4.

**Mary Susan Nix Wiley** is an elementary school teacher in Centerville, where she lives with her husband, Myron, and their daughter, Monica, 17.



**EDDINS HONORED AS TOP ACHIEVER**—President James E. Martin '54, right, congratulated William T. Eddins '50 during fall quarter as the first to receive the Auburn Engineering Achievement Award. Mr. Eddins is retired after a 33-year career culminating in being named principal engineer and chief scientist at Harris Corp., which played a pioneering role in the space industry.

**Paula Donaldson Thompson** teaches adult education and lives in Selma with her husband, **George R. Thompson, II**, a pharmacist at Gibson Pharmacy.

1973

**Richard L. Jones** is a construction project manager for Barton Malow Co. in Sarasota, Fla., where he and his wife, Nancy, live with their two children, Melissa, 8, and Christopher, 4.

**William Wilhelm** is assistant program manager for Hughes Aircraft Co. in El Segundo, Calif. He and his wife, Meriam, live in Torrance, Calif., with their son, Chris, 3.

**Anne Lane Kohlman** is vice president of the Performance Technology Corp. in Kennesaw, Ga. She and her husband, Conrad, live in Marietta, Ga.

**William Gravatt, III**, is an agent for Alfa Insurance Co. in Mobile and lives in Daphne with his wife, Diane.

**William F. Hall** has been promoted to project manager in the project coordination department at Burroughs Wellcome Co. in Research Triangle Park, N.C. He lives in Chapel Hill, N.C.

**Bennett Wiggins** is an architect and lives in Atlanta with his wife, **Teresa Wright** '72, an attorney.

**Paul Wetherington** is an architect with Ward-Wetherington, Inc., in LaGrange, Ga., where he and his wife, Susan, live.

**BORN:** A son, John Ryan, to Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Mulholland (**Susan Burket**) of Brockton, Mass., on Oct. 5, 1987. He joins brothers Brad and Scott. Susan is a sales manager for SGI, Inc., in Warwick, R.I.

A son, Neil Corbin, to Mr. and Mrs. **Daniel Hart** of Brandon, Fla., on Sept. 11, 1987. He joins Danny, 8, and LeAnn, 6. Daniel is the assistant director of marketing for the Tampa Electric Co.

A son, William Ara, to Mr. and Mrs. **Greg Abercrombie** (**Lynn Thompson**) of Huntsville on April 8, 1987. He joins brother Matthew, 11, and sister Emily, 7. Greg is an engineer with T.R.W.

1974

**Sam H. Bell** is regional sales manager for W.R. Grace & Co. in Arlington, Tex.

**James I. McCormick, Jr.**, is an investment officer for First Alabama Bancshares in Birmingham. He and his wife, **Tricia Lewis** '73, have two sons, Jim, III, 8, and Gregg, 6.

**Thomas R. Airheart** is a management analyst for the Army Corps of Engineers in Huntsville. He and his wife, Donna, live in Scottsboro.

**M. Craig Akins** of Franklin, Tenn., is branch manager of the Nashville Coca-Cola Bottling Co. He and his wife, Karen, have a daughter, Jamie, 5, and a son, Mark, 4.

**Larry E. Harris** works with Daniels Construction Co. in Burke, Va.

**David M. Goodwin** of Fort Payne is executive director of the DeKalb County Adult Activity & Training Center and a part-time salesperson for Radio Shack. He has two sons, Justin, 12, and Shaun, 4.

**Harold G. McClellan** is assistant vice president of operations at Max Federal Credit Union. His wife, **Patricia Shores** '73, is an administrative assistant and counselor for the Montgomery Area Family Violence Program. They live in Wetumpka.

**James R. Perkins** is the head swimming coach at Carnegie Mellon University. He and his wife, Kimberly, live in Mount Lebanon, Pa.

**Phillip M. Dupree** is a commercial artist and photographer in Birmingham. He and his wife, **Nancy Unger** '76, have two children, Katie, 7, and Kelly, 3.

**MARRIED:** Taba Samakow to **M. Eric Dale** on Sept. 26, 1987. They live in Washington, D.C., where Eric is an interior designer with Ward-Hale Design Associates.

**BORN:** A son, John Darryl, to Mr. and Mrs. Darryl Mull (**Pamela Vogt**) of Marietta, Ga., on Dec. 9, 1987. He joins sister Amanda, 2. Pamela is a claims representative with the Social Security Administration.

1975

**Robert D. Stansell, II**, of Atlanta is a leasing officer with Citizens Fidelity Bank & Trust.

**Jennifer Grenell Deeney** owns Jennifer Grenell Interior Design in Boca Raton, Fla., where she lives with her husband, Francis.

**Robert L. Hill** recently received an Award of Merit from the Masonry Association of Georgia for his design of the Citizens Bank in Duluth, Ga. He is an architect and vice president of H. Lloyd Hill Architects & Associates, Inc. He and his wife, Kathy, live in Lilburn, Ga., and have a daughter, Christie Leigh, 1.

**Diane Gibson Gilbert** works for the Chambers County Board of Education as a psychometrist. She lives in LaFayette with her husband, William, and their daughter, Jennifer Ann, 3.

**Steven L. Galloway** is president of Apex Fiberglass. He and his wife, **Jennifer Laird** '73, live in Griffin, Ga., with their three daughters.

**Nancy Womack Edwards**, Ed.D., works for Troy City and Pike County schools as director of vocational programs.

**Michael E. Aderholt** of Orlando, Fla., is manager of the computer audit assistance group for Coopers & Lybrand.

**Rodney A. Maddox** works for Tri-State Leasing as a salesman. He and his wife, Nancy, live in Memphis, Tenn.

**G. Edison Holland, Jr.**, an attorney, serves as president of the Escambia-Santa Rosa Bar Association. He practices with Beggs & Lane in Pensacola, Fla., where he lives with his wife, **Elizabeth Bird** '76.

**BORN:** Twins, Keith Lewis and Katie Elizabeth, to Mr. and Mrs. **Randy M. Martin** of Ozark on May 22, 1987.

Twins, Mary Kathryn and Carole Noelle, to Maj. and Mrs. **John M. House** of Fort Leavenworth, Kan., on Dec. 12, 1987. They join sisters Shannon Virginia and Amanda Beth. John is currently attending the Army's command and general staff officers' course and will attend the advanced military studies program during the 1988-1989 school year.

A daughter, Rebecca Tutwiler, to Mr. and Mrs. **Parks Lee** of Birmingham on Jan. 14. She joins sisters Mary Margaret, 5, and Elizabeth, 3. Parks is an insurance agent.

A daughter, Janet Catherine, to Mr. and Mrs. **Frank L. McGuire, III**, of Opp on Dec. 15, 1987. She joins sister Natalie, 4. Frank is a municipal judge for the City of Opp and an assistant district attorney for the 22nd Judicial Circuit.

1976

**James E. Pritchett, Sr.**, is president and chairman of the board of Planters' Bank & Trust. He and his wife, **Rebekah Kirkman** '79, live in Thomaston.

**Robert E. Cambron, Jr.**, of Atlanta is vice president of Shearson Lehman Hutton.

**Jeffrey K. Miller** works in the sports department of *The Dallas Morning News*. He and his wife, Frances, live in DeSoto, Tex., with their four children: Kim, 8; Jason, 6; Kevin, 5; and Joseph, 3.

**Dudley A. DeVore** is a dealer representative for Panasonic. He lives in Memphis, Tenn., with his wife, **Teresa Barry** '79, and their two children, Melanie, 4, and Leslie, 3.

**Billie June Stephenson Rials** teaches at Samson High. She and her husband, Tommy, have two children, Wade, 8, and Ashley, 4.

**C. Randy Williams** works for Bell South Services as a programmer and analyst. His wife, **Jeannine Houston** '78, is the assistant administrator of human resources for Hill Crest Hospital. They live in Birmingham.

**Anne Landers Mathis** is an admissions officer for the Alabama Department of Mental Health at the Eufaula Adolescent Center. She lives in Clayton with her husband, Michael, and their daughter, Kristen Ashley, 1.

**Sharon Holland McAliley** teaches in Ozark. Her husband, **Franklin L. McAliley**, is a district forester with the Alabama Forestry Commission. They live in Ozark.

**MARRIED:** Nancy Ann Steen to **J. Steven Walker** on Sept. 26, 1987. He is an architect with Padgett & Freeman of Asheville, N.C.

Lisa Scott to **William B. Salmon** on Nov. 14, 1987. They live in Charlotte, N.C.

**BORN:** A daughter, Kelley Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. **Jeff D. Roark** (**Rebecca Turner**) of Birmingham on July 15, 1987. She joins sister Christie Rebecca, 5. Jeff works for Alabama Power as a bulk power contracts engineer.

A daughter, Anna Lee, to Mr. and Mrs. **Victor Alford** (**Deborah Fortson** '78) of Marietta, Ga., on Feb. 6. Victor works for State Farm as a claims adjuster, and Deborah teaches at Eastside Baptist Christian School.

1977

**Phillip A. Gentry** of Decatur is news bureau director for the Space and Rocket Center. His wife, **Lynn Hensel**, teaches in Huntsville.

**John M. Petcoff** works for Trans World Airlines as a supervisor. He lives in Kansas City, Mo., with his wife, Nancy.

**Ken C. Byram, Jr.**, is the Corps of Engineers architect for Florida, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. He lives in Jacksonville, Fla., with his wife, Jacqueline, and their daughter, Jesse, 2.

**Susan Harrison Lincoln** is managing editor at Perry Newspapers, Inc., of which her husband, **Donald D. Lincoln** '80, is publisher. They live in Perry, Fla.

**Lea Baumhauer McQueen** lives in Athens, Ga., with her husband, Elbert, and their children, Reese, 6, and Hays, 4.



**AEROSPACE ENGINEERING**—Wilmer H. Reed, III, '48, left, recently received the Outstanding Alumni Award in Aerospace Engineering from Malcolm Cutchins of Auburn's Aerospace Engineering faculty. Mr. Reed, former NASA chief scientist and Distinguished Research Associate, is manager of structural dynamics and aerolasticity programs for Dynamics Engineering, Inc., and is a fellow of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

—Photo by Jim Killian



**ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING**—Electrical Engineering Department Head David Irwin, right, presented the Outstanding Alumni Award in Electrical Engineering recently to Elmer B. Harris '62, senior executive vice president of Georgia Power. Mr. Harris is also a member of the Auburn Alumni Engineering Council.

—Photo by Jim Killian



**MECHANICAL ENGINEERING**—During Auburn's recent Engineering Week, Douglas L. McCrary '53, left, received the Outstanding Alumni Award in Mechanical Engineering from Mechanical Engineering Department Head Malcolm J. Crocker. Mr. McCrary is president and chief executive officer of Gulf Power in Pensacola, Fla.

—Photo by Jim Killian



**CAJUN SUPPORT**—Pamela Richardson Kennon '77 and her husband, Bob, show their club support at a recent Baton Rouge, La., Auburn Club meeting. —Photo by Guen Reid

**James R. Tew** is a pharmacist at Phenix Medical Park Hospital in Phenix City.

**Kenny C. Culpepper** is a police sergeant in Cullman, where he lives with his wife, Diane.

**Becky Smith McCoy** teaches in Jackson County. She lives in Bridgeport with her husband, Ted, and their children, Eula Bett, 6, and James Daniel, 3.

**Aaron Hutchinson, Jr.**, is a pharmacist with Revco in Enterprise. His wife, **Elizabeth Ezzell** '75, owns Kindred Spirits, a children's clothing store. They have four children: Heather, Blake, Hilary, and Blair.

**Capt. Linwood Moore** recently received the Army Meritorious Service Medal. He works at the Veteran's Administration Hospital in Washington, D.C.

**BORN:** A son, Paul McLendon, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Budd (**Joan McLendon**) of Dallas, Tex., on Jan. 22, 1987. Joan is an attorney in Dallas.

A son, Clinton Andrew, to Mr. and Mrs. **R.B. Willy Harmon, II**, '76 (**Cathy Bellinger**) of Lewisville, Tex., on Aug. 31, 1987. R.B. works for the International Division of Aviall, Inc., and was recently transferred back to the U.S. from Singapore.

A daughter, Kathryn Leigh, to Mr. and Mrs. **Terry L. Ryan** of Readyville, Tenn., on May 23, 1987. She joins brother Douglas, 3. Terry is project manager for Parsley Brothers Construction Co.

A daughter, Sarah Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Young (**Nancy Holland**) of Charleston AFB, S.C., on May 16, 1987.

A son, Ray Lee, II, to Mr. and Mrs. **R. Lee McDaniel** of Columbus, Ga., on Jan. 1. He works for Bickerstaff Clay Products Co.

#### 1978

**Mary J. Chandler** teaches physical education in Garland, Tex. She lives in Sachse, Tex.

**James E. Morgan** is a chemical and electrical engineer in Athens. His wife, **Sheila Gullet**, is a pharmacist at Revco.

**Steve Panzram** is a professional swim coach at Mobile Swim Association. He lives in Daphne.

**Ted D. Smith** owns Gridiron Landscape in New Orleans, where he lives with his wife, Tobl. They have a son, Donovan, 8, and a daughter, Ashley, 3.

**Michael W. Robertson** was recently promoted to senior mechanical engineer for Philip Morris and is currently group supervisor of utilities. He lives in Concord, N.C., with his wife, Kay, and their two daughters, Candace, 5, and Jennifer, 2.

**Brad Davis** was recently hired as assistant commissioner of the Southeastern Conference after serving as the University of Kentucky's sports information director.

**Carol Wade DeWitt** and her husband, Charles, are missionaries in Mexico City with the mission board of the Presbyterian Church in America. They have a son, Peter, 4.

**William L. Golden** works for Lee Obstetrics & Gynecology. He lives in Auburn with his wife, Cynthia.

**Robert F. Russell**, civil law chief at Ramstein AFB, Germany, has been promoted to major.

**Robert W. Clark, Jr.**, is a project engineer for Du Pont on a two-year assignment in Spartanburg, S.C.

**Pamela L. Holley** of Birmingham is chief pharmacist at Big B Drugs in Irondale.

**Thomas M. Lord** is associate director at Bear Stearns in Atlanta, where he lives with his wife, **Vickie Meredith**.

**William L. Dennis, Jr.**, works for Jim Walter Paper Co. as a sales representative. He and his wife, Leona, live in Albany, Ga.

**H. Scott Cox** is a sales representative for the golf division of Pump and Irrigation Wholesale. He lives in Deerfield Beach, Fla.

**Jeff Longchamp** is a governmental operations research analyst. He and his wife, Pam, and their daughter, Lindsey Ann, 1, live in Dothan.

**Becky Rawls Boatright** is a product lab supervisor at Miller Brewing Co. in Albany, Ga., where she lives with her husband, David, and their two children.

**Timothy E. Watson** is a forester for Union Camp Corp. He and his wife, Ruth Ann, live in Prattville with their children, Mary Earlene, 4, and Rachel Ann, 1.

**MARRIED:** Nancy Wall to **John F. Coll** on Aug. 22, 1987. He works for Abbott Laboratories as a hospital products representative. They live in Houston.

**BORN:** A son, Charles Tyler, to Mr. and Mrs. Ramon L. Day (**LeeAnn Morton**) on June 17, 1986. They live in Washington, D.C.

#### 1979

**John C. Bullington** is a physician with Anesthesia Services in Birmingham. He and his wife, **Laurie Thompson** '78, an attorney, have two children, Mary Shaffer, 3, and Allison Elizabeth, 1.

**John B. Watkins** attends law school in Birmingham.

**Robert M. Price** is controller for the City of Opelika. He and his wife, Susan, live in Opelika.

**Catherine Nietman Pullen** is a speech and language pathologist in Huntsville.

**Roger K. Grubbs**, DVM, practices in Danville, Ky. He and his wife, Debbie, live in Lancaster, Ky., and have two children, Ryan, 11, and Stephen, 5.

**H. Sanders Colson** is in San Jose, Costa Rica, preparing for missionary service in Santiago, Chile, with the Presbyterian Church in America.

**Katherine E. Higgins**, manager of Rolane Factory Store in Roanoke, was the first runner-up in the 1987 Ms. Wheelchair Alabama pageant.

**Lynn Dawson Manly** has been promoted to senior marketing officer in SouthTrust Corp. She

lives in Birmingham with her husband, **Harold C. Manly, III**, who works for Big B Drugs.

**Cindy D. Coker**, a field market manager for Du Pont in Chicago, Ill., was presented one of Du Pont's annual Marketing Excellence Awards in February. She lives in Hoffman Estates, Ill.

**John E. Hallen** is a plant manager for Union Camp Corp. in Birmingham. He has a daughter, Catherine Paige, 1.

**William G. Morthland** is the senior development manager at Turner Medical Building Services, Inc., in Winter Park, Fla. He and his wife, Lori, have a son, Drew, 1.

**Robert E. Lee** is a project manager for the Navy at Point Mugu, Calif. He and his wife, Sally, live in Oxnard, Calif.

**Benjamin T. Walker** is the vice president of operations for Johnny Walker, Inc., in Marietta, Ga., where he lives with his wife, Anne.

**Sheryl Mims Siniard** is the special needs coordinator at the Phenix City Vocational Center. Her husband, **William E. Siniard** '60, is superintendent of Russell County Schools. They live in Salem.

**Nancy Hoyt Holley** works in pharmaceutical sales for Pfizer Pharmaceuticals. She lives in Raleigh, N.C.

**MARRIED:** Ruth S. Riley to Robert L. Davis, III, on May 2, 1987. She is a senior automation analyst for Aetna Life & Casualty in Atlanta. They live in Smyrna, Ga.

**Melanie S. Hamner** to Bennett W. Paulette on Dec. 30, 1987. She attends UAB's medical school, specializing in internal medicine.

**Laura E. Hogan** to Richard Brand on May 2, 1987. They live in South Pasadena, Calif., where she is a project architect for Kaiser Permanente.

**BORN:** A daughter, Amy Houston, to Mr. and Mrs. **James Scott Russell** on March 31, 1987. They live in Salisbury, Md., where he is a sales representative for Stork Gamco.

A daughter, Sarah Beth, to Mr. and Mrs. David Ressler (**Becky Burns**) of Houston on May 4, 1987.

A son, Jesse Wade, to Mr. and Mrs. **Terry G. King** of Hamilton on Feb. 25. Terry works for North River Homes.

A son, Patrick Scott, to Mr. and Mrs. **Lee S. Herron** (**Caroline Chandler** '75) of Pell City on Jan. 8. Lee is the central region marketing manager for Anderson Electrical Connectors.

A son, Samuel Dean, to Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Erlanson (**Angela Herring**) of Opelika on Feb. 6. He joins sister Kenoall Leigh.

A son, Jonathan Glynn, to Mr. and Mrs. **Warren Griffith** of Fayette on April 21, 1987. Jonathan joins sister Melanie, 4. Warren is an assistant county agent for the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service.

#### 1980

**Mary A. Sauer** of Franklin, Ohio, works for Otterbein Homes in Lebanon, Ohio, as a nursing home administrator.

**Charles D. Smitherman** is operations manager for Chip Supply. He lives in Orlando, Fla., with his wife, **Kimberly Cannon** '84.

**Robert E. Poole** of Panama City, Fla., works as a salesman for Baxter Healthcare Corp.

**David G. McConnell** of Huntsville is a forester for the Army Corps of Engineers.

**Karen Felix Barganier** teaches kindergarten at Vestavia Hills Elementary. She lives in Birmingham with her husband, **Paul V. Barganier** '77, DMD, and their son, Reed, 3.

**Dorrie Adams Nutt** is a musician and music teacher. Her husband, **Jerry Nutt** '81, works for



**ARCHER INVITED TO CAMBRIDGE**—Chalmers Archer, Jr., '79 will present a paper at Cambridge University, England, during a conference to be held there in August. Dr. Archer, an education associate professor and administrator at Northern Virginia Community College, will talk on promoting ethics, values, and an interdisciplinary approach in higher education.

Hewlett Packard as a field engineer. They live in Huntsville with their sons, Michael, 3, and David, 1.

**David V. Smitherman, Jr.**, works for the Army Missile Command at Redstone Arsenal as an architect. He lives in Madison with his wife, Gail, and their daughter.

**Mark D. Malone** is a credit administrator for First Union Corp. of Georgia. His wife, **Karen Dawson** '81, works for St. Francis Hospital as a medical technologist. They live in Columbus, Ga.

**Christina Perry Fernandez** is director of the Early Childhood Education Research Center at Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, Fla. She lives in Jacksonville, Fla., with her husband, Hector.

**Tracy A. Graham** of Rogersville is an ensign in the Navy.

**David G. Wade** works for Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Co. in Houston, Tex., as a legislative, regulatory, and political analyst in the state government affairs department. He is also a student at South Texas College of Law.

**Stephen Douglas Nelson** of Montgomery owns a company that sells bacteriostatic water treatment systems.

**Richard A. Cabela** works for Planning Research Corp. as a programmer analyst. He lives in Virginia Beach, Va., with his wife, **Jane Nelson**, and their son, Erik Brandon, 1.

**Randal David Herring** practices at Herring Chiropractic Clinic. He lives in Tallahassee with his wife, Elizabeth, and their daughters, Stephanie Marie and Caroline Elizabeth.

**David Hoy Nabors** is a design engineer for Texas Instruments in Lewisville, Tex. He lives in Flower Mound, Tex., with his wife, Amy, and their son, Justin, 1.

**Charlotte Mullins Dorgan** works for Medical Laboratory Associates as a computer technician. Her husband, **John Alston Dorgan, Jr.**, '62, is office manager for H. W. Loehner, Inc. They live in Fairhope with their son, Oliver, 5.

**BORN:** A son, Derek Alexander, to Mr. and Mrs. **Randall Hubert Chance** (**Beth Breen** '81) of Fayetteville, Ga., on May 5, 1987.

A son, Daniel Gilchrist, to Mr. and Mrs. Dan E. Weingarten (**Sarah Gilchrist**) of Birmingham on May 6, 1987. She is director of human resources for Sherman International Corp.

A daughter, Kacey, to Mr. and Mrs. **Richard Clinton Lovelace** of Lanett on July 13, 1987. She joins brother Clint, 4. Richard works for P. F. Moon & Co., Inc., in West Point, Ga., as a construction project manager.

Twins, Katie Elizabeth and Sarah Lynne, to Mr. and Mrs. **Danny A. Panos** (**Peggy Nummy**) of Birmingham on Nov. 4, 1987. Danny is a CPA for Borland Benefield and Peggy works for Pearce Bevil as an accounting supervisor.

Twins, Kristen Lydia and Katelyn Raquel, to Mr. and Mrs. Andy Pope (**Martha Crowe**) on Jan. 5.

A son, Tyler Cameron, to Mr. and Mrs. **Kevin William Stowe** of Alpharetta, Ga., on Feb. 8.

A daughter, Meredith Morgan, to Mr. and Mrs. **William Morgan Adams, III**, of Shaker Heights, Ohio, on Nov. 14, 1987. She joins brother Matthew Gordon, 2. Bill works for General Electric's lighting business group as manager of distributor development.

A son, Joshua Issa, to Mr. and Mrs. **Issa A. Kalil** of Houston, Tex., on Oct. 31, 1987.



**INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING**—R.D. Laney '52, right, recently received the Outstanding Alumni Award in Industrial Engineering from that department's head, Ed Unger. Mr. Laney is head of the Laney Family Honey Co., the largest business of its kind in the three-state area of Indiana, Illinois, and Michigan. —Photo by Jim Killian

**Susan Foreman Basham** works for Du Pont as area superintendent. She lives in Orange, Tex., with her husband, Brent, and their son, Brannen James, 1.

**Daniel H. Gillis, III**, is a pharmacist at Baptist Medical Center-Princeton in Birmingham. His wife, **Pamela Allen**, works for Southern Research Institute as an associate programmer. They live in Montevallo with their daughter, Sarah Nan, 1.

**Theresa Bennett Hayes** is a home economics teacher. She lives in Blackshear, Ga., with her husband, Ken, and their son, Kenneth Eric Bryan, 1.

**Mark L. Britton** works for Oklahoma Teaching Hospitals in Oklahoma City, Okla., as a computerization coordinator. He lives in Edmond, Okla., with his wife, Nancy.

**Teresa A. Waldrop** practices speech pathology in Tullahoma, Tenn.

**Capt. Timothy S. Sheehy** has been promoted to assistant flight commander at Vance AFB, Okla. He lives in Enid, Okla., with his wife, **Charlotte White** '79.

**Carlyn Powell Voges** works for Advertising & Communication in Chattanooga, Tenn., as an accounting administrator. She lives in Lookout Mountain, Tenn., with her husband, Alan, and their son, Joshua, 1.

**Paul E. Carpenter** practices pharmacy at Candler Hospital in Savannah, Ga. His wife, **Suzanne Rogers**, is a chemistry instructor at Armstrong State College.

**Capt. Richard L. Edmonds** of Torrance, Calif., recently received his master's in space operations from the Air Force Institute of Technology. He is now working for the Defense Support Program at Los Angeles AFB.

**Anne Williams Walker** is a staff manager with South Central Bell. She lives in Birmingham with her husband, Don, and their daughter, Elizabeth, 1.

**John G. Taylor** has been promoted to group leader of analytical chemistry in the measurements department at WestPoint Pepperell's research center in Valley. He lives in Opelika with his wife, Paula, and their son, Nicholas.

**Marvin Bradley Nunn** is director of adult services at Harriet Cohn Mental Health Center. He lives in Clarksville, Tenn., with his wife, **Regina McCormick** '82.

**MARRIED:** **Catherine Houston** to Rafael T. Lorie on June 27, 1987. She is a CPA for Coopers and Lybrand in Miami.

**BORN:** A daughter, Amie Christine, to Mr. and Mrs. **David Wayne Estes** of Somerville on Mar. 21, 1987. She joins brother Jacob, 3. David teaches and is head freshman football coach at Brewer High School in Decatur.

A daughter, Samantha Kelly, to Mr. and Mrs. **Steven H. McElhaney** of Houston, Tex., on May 19, 1987. He works for Houston Lighting & Power as a project engineer.

A daughter, Randi Amanda, to Mr. and Mrs. **James E. Jernigan** of Montgomery on May 26, 1987. He works for Morrison's Custom Services as a food service director.

## 1982

**Mark Miller Heldman** is vice president of food brokerage at Heldman Brokerage Co. in Nashville. He and his wife, **Donna Fussell**, who teaches at Oak Hill School, have a daughter, Sarah Amelia.



**EPSTEIN PROMOTED**—Stacey Hader Epstein '82 was recently promoted from assistant account executive to account executive at Manning, Selvage & Lee in Atlanta.

**Julie Welch Wentworth** teaches in Austin, Tex. Her husband, **Stuart Wentworth**, is a graduate assistant at the University of Texas at Austin.

**Randolph F. Fowler** works for Scotty's, Inc., as a retail manager. He lives in Stuart, Fla., with his wife, **Loisann Cauthen** '84.

**Brenda Houston Carroll** is a training coordinator for Caribbean Computer Export in Jensen Beach, Fla.

**David M. Wunderlich** is an agronomist and lives in Opelika with his wife, Susan.

**Kenneth Doyle Kirkland** works for Commercial Bank in Panama City, Fla., as a compliance auditor.

**Robert B. Hawkins** of Jacksonville, Fla., is a director for IPS.

**David N. Moore** has been promoted to engineering manager of the aerospace division at Aeroquip Corp. in Carrollton, Ga.

**Scott Alan Yost** of Gainesville, Fla., is program manager for Florida's Department of Transportation.

**Capt. Lee B. Ragland** has received an Aviation Safety Award for achieving 1,000 accident-free flight hours as a Marine Corps pilot at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

**Bonnie Gerlach Henry** is assistant vice president of Barnett Bank in Jacksonville, Fla.

**Stacey Hader Epstein** has been promoted to account executive at Manning, Selvage & Lee. She lives in Atlanta with her husband, David.

**James Erwin Anderson, III**, has recently been promoted to Southeast regional manager with Brother International Corp. He lives in Roswell, Ga., with his wife, Julie.

**Suzanne Maccabe Baker**, a custom designer, lives in Montgomery with her husband, Alex, and stepchildren Shawn, 9, and Nikki, 7.

**Shari Timmerlake Szalwinski** is project coordinator for ChamberSouth. She lives in Marietta, Ga., with her husband, Duane.

**MARRIED:** **Lori Howerton** to Geoff Hawkeswood in May 1987. They live in Auburndale, Fla.

**Marci A. Smith** to W. Edwin Lane, Jr., on Sept. 19, 1987. She works for Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital as nursing recruitment coordinator. They live in Albany, Ga.

**Miriam McGhee** to **Lloyd L. (Trey) Stone, III**, '83, on July 18, 1987. She is a planning engineer with Southern Co. Services, and he works for Travelers. They live in Birmingham.

**Nancy Ellen Evans** to Nathan Craig Parrish on Aug. 29, 1987. They live in Nashville.

**Sara Hitchcock** to **John C. Beck** '77 on July 11, 1987. He is vice president of Montgomery Equipment Co. in Montgomery.

**Virginia McGee** to Michael Anthony on Nov. 28, 1987. She is membership director of BIPEC, Inc. They live in Jackson, Miss.

**BORN:** A son, Charles Stephen, III, to Mr. and Mrs. **Steve Torbert** of Society Hill on Nov. 4, 1987. He joins sister Ashlyn Brooke.

A son, David Curtis, to Mr. and Mrs. **Charles C. Delchamps** of Homestead, Fla., on Sept. 16, 1987. Charles works for Delchamps Nursery Farms as a nurseryman.

A daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to Mr. and Mrs. **Michael R. Allen (Marcia Joiner)** of Maylene on July 3, 1987. He works for Alabama Power as an electrical engineer, and she teaches in Shelby County.

A son, Christopher Douglas, to Mr. and Mrs. **Harold Douglas Hester** of Dothan on May 28, 1987. He joins sister Jennifer Michelle, 2. Harold is an electrical engineer for Alabama Power in Ashford.

A son, Justin Michael, to Mr. and Mrs. **Michael R. Snellgrove (Lita Johnson)** of Great Falls, Mont., on June 23, 1987. She is a legal secretary for Larsen & Neill Attorneys.

A son, Christopher Trey, to Mr. and Mrs. **Gale A. Slagley (Phyllis Jenkins '80)** of Lexington, Ky., on May 21, 1987. He joins brother Brandon Blake, 5. Gale is president of American Leisure Designs, Inc., and Phyllis is a substitute teacher.

A son, Jason Sumner, to Mr. and Mrs. **David W. Boldt '83 (Sharon Sumner)** of Orlando, Fla., on Aug. 1, 1987. Sharon teaches at Bear Lake Elementary School and David is an architect.

A daughter, Laura Anna, to Mr. and Mrs. **Thomas Carl Sykes (Lynda Ward '84)** of Jacksonville, Fla., on July 10, 1987. Thomas works for Boy Scouts of America as senior district executive and Lynda is a pharmacist.

A son, Jacob Holladay, to Mr. and Mrs. **James R. Poteet '83 (Rebecca Whittemore)** of Houston, Tex., on Aug. 4, 1987. James is a product safety engineer for Compaq Computers.

A daughter, Sara Ashley, to Mr. and Mrs. **Harold B. Stubbs (Lisa Patterson)** of Summerville, S.C., on July 24, 1987.

## 1983

**Linda Thompson Hudson** is a first grade teacher with Richardson Independent Schools. She lives in Allen, Tex., with her husband, **John**



**BACK TO BASICS**—These 15 alumni were among textile and apparel representatives from across the nation in Auburn recently for the "Back to Basics" apparel conference sponsored by the School of Human Sciences. Among those attending were, front row, left to right, Marilee Mangrum Tankersley '68, Peggy Gill Bracken '52, Kathy Todd '73, and Pamela Ulrich '80. Second row: H. Paul Enzor '59, Joe Adams '65, Tom Plummer '69, James Wallace You '83, and Dennis Traylor '82. Third row: Sloan Fountain, Jr., '71, Ed Fuller '69, and Vincent Quick '85. Top row: Tim Holmes '73, Austin Brewer '71, and Paul Porter '79. —Photo by Mike Jernigan

**Hudson '85**, an electrical engineer at Texas Instruments.

**Elizabeth Betze** is a woodworker in Weaverville, N.C.

**Leigh Jager Prather** of Birmingham is an interior designer for Interior Accents. Her husband, **William Prather '82**, is an investment banker for Central Bank.

**Capt. Donald Kayler, III**, is an aircraft commander in the Air Force, stationed in Niersbach, West Germany. His wife, **Amanda Godfrey '84**, is an insurance agent with Lloyds Insurance.

**Anita Phillips Patton** is a lab manager for GBP Southeastern Communication Printing in Sylacauga. She and her husband, Michael, have one daughter.

**Phillip Cowart** is president of the Horizon Insurance Agency in Selma, where his wife, **Logan Wilkinson '84**, teaches English.

**Claire Foshee Botsch** is a consultant for Health Services Marketing, Ltd., in Atlanta, where she and her husband, Mark, live.

**Greg Gillian** is a civil engineer with Larry E. Speaks & Associates in Montgomery. He lives in Prattville with his wife, Patricia.

**Elaine Scharnitsky** recently graduated from Coast Guard recruit training at Cape May, N.J.

**Lt. Jack McRae** recently reported for duty with Fleet Composite Squadron-Five at Cubi Point NAS, Philippines.

**Julie Lunsetter Tysl** is a project coordinator for F-16 support at General Dynamics. She and her husband, Karl, live in Fort Worth, Tex.

**John Colston Sinclair** is a graduate student at AUM.

**Liezette Felicione Gamso** is a sales representative for Pitney Bowes. She and her husband, Leo, live in Tampa, Fla., and have a girl, Linsey Marie, 1.

**Ralph Grant** of Titusville, Fla., is a service planner with Florida Power & Light. He and his wife, Mary Ann, have one son, Jason Lee, 1.

**MARRIED:** **Liz Ard** to Daniel Mark Einstein on Feb. 22, 1987. She is a fashion illustrator and designer for Briar Patch Designs. They live in Greenville, S.C.

**Elizabeth Ann Madden** to **G. Stuart Blackwell** on Jan. 30, 1987. He works for Chilmark Commodities Corp. in Delray Beach, Fla., as a technical research analyst. They live in Boca Raton, Fla.

**Katherine McKinstry** to Alex Zoghby on July 25, 1987. She teaches in Mobile.

**Jean H. Costner** to **Christopher Thomason** '86 on Dec. 19, 1987. She is a full-time music evangelist, and he was recently promoted to studio manager at Hummingbird Productions in Nashville.

**BORN:** A son, Andrew, to Mr. and Mrs. **Jon Roebuck (Linda Jackson)** of Burgin, Ky., on July 13, 1987.

A daughter, Kristen, to Mr. and Mrs. **Allen Louis Guillory** of Old Hickory, Tenn., on April 30, 1987. She joins two sisters. Allen has been promoted to project manager for Lacona, Inc., in Nashville.

A daughter, Kathryn Lisa, to Mr. and Mrs. **Mark (Randy) Turner '82 (Lisa Henry)** of Lawrenceville, Ga., on July 22, 1987. He works for Capitol Materials.

A son, Richard, III, to Mr. and Mrs. **Richard R. Girdler, Jr.**, of Murfreesboro, Tenn., on Jan. 11, 1987. Mr. Girdler is the regional pension and group sales representative for State Mutual Companies in Nashville.

A daughter, Rebecca Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. **Dan Whitlow, DVM, (Charlotte Cotton, DVM)** on Jan. 22. She joins brother Will. Dan and Charlotte work at the Helton Plaza Veterinary Hospital in Florence.

A son, William Moyers, to Mr. and Mrs. **Dana Kessler (Dana Heck, DVM)** of Phenix City on Jan. 2. She practices at Animal General Hospital in Columbus, Ga.

A daughter, Ashley, to Mr. and Mrs. **Herndon Elliot (Kari Nichols '84)** on May 31, 1987. Mr. and Mrs. Elliot work at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville as reliability engineers.

A son, Michael Alan, to Mr. and Mrs. **Michael Dean** of Montgomery on Jan. 12. Mr. Dean works for Caddell Construction.

A daughter, Amanda Liesl, to Mr. and Mrs. **David Babb (Lydia Burns)** on May 12, 1987. David is a plant manager for Babb Lumber Co. in Ringgold, Ga., where they live. Lydia teaches special education in LaFayette, Ga.

A son, David Gabriel, to Mr. and Mrs. **John Gabriel Lukens (Karen Haley '82)** of Norcross, Ga., on July 8, 1987. David is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. **Bob Haley '57**, great-grandson of **Robert P. Haley '46**, and great-great-grandson of the late **Paul S. Haley '01**, for whom Haley Center is named.

## 1984

**John Hollins, Jr.**, is an associate in the law firm of Hollins, Wagster, and Yarbrough in Nashville. In January, he became the youngest attorney in Tennessee to ever be appointed by the court as lead counsel to represent a defendant in a death penalty case.

**Evelyn Lee Griswold** is a production coordinator at National Geographic Society in Washington, D.C. She lives in Alexandria, Va., with her husband, John.

**Lt. Thomas Gibson** is serving aboard the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise with Fighter Squadron-114, homeported at Miramar NAS, Calif.

**John Eric Nordness** is an engineer with Teledyne Brown in Huntsville. His wife, **Patti Moore**, is an engineer for NASA. They live in Hazel Green.

**Victor Wheeler** is a graphic designer for Alabama Power in Birmingham. His wife, **Veronica Reynolds**, teaches first grade at St. Rose Academy.

**Barry Andrews** of LaGrange, Ga., is an industrial engineer for the Hoover Group in Franklin, Ga.

**Capt. George Elmer Huth** is stationed at Kelly AFB, Tex. He and his wife, Theresa, have a son, George, 1, and live in San Antonio, Tex.

**Michael L. Chapman** of Macon, Ga., is a law student at the Walter F. George School of Law, Mercer University. Also, he is editor-in-chief of the *Mercer Law Review*.

**Wayne Fowler** works as a project engineer for Pedologues, Inc., in Auburn.

**Rene Baker** is a medical technologist at North Ridge Hospital and lives in Plantation, Fla.

**Gregory Howard Nail** of Bryan, Tex., is a research assistant in graduate school at Texas A&M University, where he earned his master's in mechanical engineering.

**Kirk Cahoon** of Palm Harbor, Fla., is an operations assistant for Kmart Corp. in Oldsmar, Fla.

**Lester Lehmann Smith** is a construction superintendent for Womack Construction, Inc., in Cartersville, Ga., where he lives with his wife, Dana.

Capt. **Michael Sharp Speakman** graduated from Washington & Lee University's School of Law and passed the Alabama and South Carolina Bar Exams last June. He works in Montgomery as an attorney for the Air Force.

**Charles Decelle** is an engineer for McDonald Douglas Corp. in Huntsville, where he lives with his wife, **Elizabeth Suber**.

**B. Edwin Riggins, Jr.**, is a commercial real estate broker for Cushman & Wakefield of Georgia, Inc., in Atlanta. His wife, **Jennifer Jones**, is an assistant buyer for Rich's.

**Patricia Parker Reeves** is an administrative secretary for Tenneco, Inc., in Houma, La. She and her husband, Robert, have a daughter, Amanda Suzanne, 1.

**Richard Chapman** is an electrical engineer at Robins AFB, Ga. He lives in Warner Robins, Ga., with his wife, Brenda.

**Timothy Drinkard** is a sales representative for Target Container Co. in Albany, Ga. He and his wife, Cyndy, have a son, James Thornton.

**MARRIED:** **Tavie Lee Schad** to **Arnie Cobb, III**, '86, on Nov. 28, 1987. She works in Wallace College's financial aid office and he is a design engineer at Carter Manufacturing. They live in Ozark.

**Tracy Carleton** to **Douglas Phillipott** on Oct. 17, 1987. She is a chemist for Flexible Technologies in Abbeville, S.C., and he works for CRS Sirmine in Greenville, S.C., as a process engineer.

**Lori Sue Stutts** to **John Stanton Collier** '78 on Nov. 28, 1987. She practices law at Ramsey, Baxley, and McDongle in Dothan. He is a sergeant in the Dothan Police Department.

**Charla Ford** to **Dean Henderson** on Jan. 9. They live in Fort Worth, Tex.

**BORN:** A son, Robert Alan, to Mr. and Mrs. **Roger Moore** of Winfield on April 8, 1987. Roger owns the Winfield Quick Freeze.

A son, Calvin Miles, to Mr. and Mrs. **C. Gregory Copeland (Jenny Smith '83)** of Rainsville on July 28, 1987. He is a loan officer for Farm Credit Services in Ft. Payne and she teaches kindergarten in Guntersville.

A son, Richard Franklin, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. **Rick Barber** '79 (**Tracey Hughes**) on Mar. 1. They live in Talladega, where Rick is a Tom's distributor.

A daughter, Sheridon, to Mr. and Mrs. **Fleming Smith, III**, (**Shannon Summers '83**) on Feb. 8. She joins brother Fleming, IV, 1. Mr. Smith is an intern architect with Gresham Smith & Partners in Nashville. Shannon is an interior designer for The Design Collaborative in Nashville.

#### 1985

It(g). **Robert D. Mayfield** has completed the basic officer course at the Naval Submarine School in Groton, Conn.

**J. Wesley Nelson** attends medical school at the University of South Alabama. He lives in Mobile with his wife, **Laura Acker**, who is a staff accountant with Deloitte, Haskins & Sells.

**Bruce B. Cox** is a financial analyst for Scientific Atlanta and lives in Smyrna, Ga.

**Leigh Ann Dillon** has been promoted to stocks and bonds coordinator for American Capital in Houston, Tex.

**Samuel W. Barnett** works for Holcombe/Wood Associates as a project manager and landscape architect. He recently passed the Uniform National Exam for Landscape Architects. His wife, **Gina Chambers**, is the assistant controller at the Tutwiler Hotel. They live in Birmingham.

**Glen O. Bailey** is an administrative resident with West Georgia Medical Center. He lives in LaGrange, Ga., with his wife, **Genie Webb** '86, a nurse.

**Cesar A. Zevallos** of Griffin, Ga., is a project engineer with Holder Corp.

**James B. Basso** teaches science at Shiloh High in Lithonia, Ga., where he is also the assistant baseball coach.

**Theresa Louise Craig** works for Waller Brothers of Birmingham as a sales representative and office manager.

1/Lt. **Eric A. Britt** is stationed at Marine Corps Air Station New River in Jacksonville, N.C.

**Deepa A. Varma** of Thomasville is a process engineer for MacMillan-Bloedel, Inc.

**Shirley Murrelle Riley** is the development coordinator for the United Way Community Food Bank in Birmingham.

**Kenneth R. Neal**, DVM, practices at Calabash Animal Hospital. He and his wife, Melissa, live in Shallotte-Calabash, N.C.

**Jim B. Jeter** works for Pratt & Whitney as a systems engineer. He lives in Columbus, Ga., with his wife, Carol.

**Timothy J. Harlin** is vice president of IDD Information Services and lives in Fort Lee, N.J.

**J. Lee Shinkle** of Huntsville is an underwriter for Hawkins Mortgage Co.



**OUTSTANDING ALUMNUS**—Jimmy L. Butt '43, left, recently received the Outstanding Alumni Award in Agricultural Engineering for his leadership in the American Society of Agricultural Engineers and the Council of Engineering and Scientific Society Executives. Presenting the award is Paul Turnquist, professor and head of the Department of Agricultural Engineering.

—Photo by Jim Killian

**Elizabeth (Betsy) Lea Willis**, DVM, practices with **James K. Hicks** '75 at the Westside Animal Clinic in Spring Hill, Fla.

**Ellyn Elizabeth Harrison** works for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement as a legal assistant. She lives in Marianna, Fla.

It(g). **Joseph A. Bauknecht** is deployed in the Western Pacific aboard the guided missile frigate USS Simpson, which is homeported in Newport, R.I.

**James M. Kofskey** of Dunwoody, Ga., is an advanced staff auditor for the Georgia Department of Audits.

**Richard F. Salanitri** works for Piedmont Airlines as an industrial engineer. His wife, **Carolyn Farmer**, is a claims adjuster for Allstate Insurance. They live in Greensboro, N.C.

**J. Arthur Northrop** is the program coordinator for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. He lives in Baton Rouge, La., with his wife, Venetia.

**Rachel Wilkes McCrorie** teaches in Dorchester County, S.C., and attends graduate school at the Citadel. Her husband, It(g). **David McCrorie**, is the reactor controls assistant aboard the submarine, USS Stonewall Jackson. They live in Charleston, S.C.

Ens. **Gregory N. Collins** recently became a Naval aviator after completing 18 months of flight training.

**Amy Thomason** works for Martin Marietta Energy Systems as a programmer analyst and lives in Knoxville, Tenn.

**MARRIED:** **Cynthia Anne Thomas** to **Rick Lingo** '84 on June 13, 1987. She is a sales representative for Princeton Pharmaceutical Products, and he is a medical representative for Russ Pharmaceuticals. They live in Montgomery.

**Shari Johns** to **Danny F. Cook** on Jan. 30. They live in Opp.

**Susan Carole Hill** to **Robert A. Hommerson** on Feb. 6. They live in Birmingham.

**Sally Jane Ramer** to **Robert P. Ball, Jr.**, on Jan. 1. They live in Birmingham, where he works for BE&K Engineering Co.

**BORN:** A daughter, Margaret Annie, to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kenner (**Connie Elmore**) of Albertville on Oct. 16, 1987. Connie works for the Alabama Department of Public Health as a nutritionist.

Twins, Jacob and Cynthia, to Mr. and Mrs. **Bruce Wozow**, DVM, of Birmingham on Sept. 24, 1987. Bruce practices with Cryar & Hoke Partnership.

#### 1986

**Stephen Mark Eady** of Rockingham, N.C., is lead shift manager for Burlington Industries. His wife, **Nancy Linn** '87, teaches at Hoke County High.

**Bradford S. Cocke** is a consultant for Ernst & Whinney and lives in Alabaster.

**Sandra L. Todd** of Marietta, Ga., is a research assistant for McCann-Erickson in Atlanta.

**Lori Herman** is a graduate student in business at Vanderbilt University.

**Kimberly J. Walker** is a graduate medical physics student at the University of Kentucky.

**Eric V. Iazzari** is a sales representative for Graphic Impressions and Tiger Rags in Auburn.

**Beth Ann (Bambi) Moffet** of Huntsville is

a speech pathologist with Elk Valley Professional Affiliates in Fayetteville, Tenn.

**David John Asello** is an aerospace engineer with the Naval Air Systems Command in Washington, D.C. He lives in Springfield, Va.

**Matthew R. Johnson** is an assistant funds manager for the Madison National Bank and lives in Bethesda, Md.

**Debra L. Eastis** is an assistant technical engineer for NASA at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville.

**Joseph A. Cashwell** is minister of youth and activities at Lakeside Baptist Church. He and his wife, Danna, live in Albany, Ga.

**Tracie Howard Guckian** of Norcross, Ga., is an interior designer for SRSS Interiors. Her husband, **Tom N. Guckian**, is a claims representative for State Farm Insurance.

**Shelley A. Tickerhoof** is a medical technologist at Piedmont Hospital in Atlanta. She lives in Dacula, Ga.

**Suzanne H. Carpenter** is a hospital administrator for the Orlando Regional Medical Center in Orlando, Fla.

**Kelli L. Guin** is a purchasing agent for Colsa, Inc., in Huntsville.

**John E. Hamilton, III**, lives in Birmingham, where he is a credit analyst for Colonial Bank.

**John A. Johnson** of Arlington, Tex., is an electrical engineer with Bell Helicopter Textron.



**HISTORY SCHOLAR HONORED**—Martha Viator recently received the Robert Reid Scholarship, which is given annually to the Outstanding Graduate History Student. Martha, a European diplomacy specialist, is congratulated by Allen Cronenberg, left, awards committee chairman, and Gordon Bond, History Department head.

—Photo by AU Photographic Services

His wife, **Katrina Martich**, is a civil engineer with the Army Corps of Engineers.

**Dawn Eischelle Allen** is an accounts assistant for Trust Company Bank. She lives in Norcross, Ga.

**Linda L. Obering** is a nursing student at Jeff State and lives in Birmingham.

**Charles P. Robinson** is an ensign in the Navy stationed aboard the USS Sumter.

**Sandra L. Ingram** is a flight attendant with Delta Airlines and lives in College Park, Ga.

**Darryl Guin Robinson**, a manager for WestPoint Pepperell, was recently named an Outstanding Young Man of America.

**Mike Zito, Jr.**, has been promoted to cost accountant for WestPoint Pepperell. He lives in Auburn.

**Kimberly A. Norris** recently completed a six-month internship with General Motors in Caracas, Venezuela, as part of the master of international business studies program at the University of South Carolina.

**MARRIED:** **Mary Murray Mason** to **Daniel Wayne Shell** on Jan. 30. They live in Murfreesboro, Tenn., where Mary is a historical preservation graduate student at Middle Tennessee State University, and Dan is an education reporter for the *Daily News Journal*. Both are former staffers at *The Alumnews*.

**Laurin E. Welch** to **Raymond W. Scott** on Feb. 13. They both work for SouthTrust Bank in Birmingham.

**Jacquelyn E. Ingram** to **Jeffrey L. Langhout** in August 1987. They live in Huntsville, where Jeff is an engineer with the Missile and Space Intelligence Center, and Jackie is an engineer with the Army Missile Command.

**Lynn Tynes** to **Ross Alan Nickaby** on May 30, 1987. Ross is a second lieutenant stationed at Ft. Hood, Tex. They live in Killeen, Tex.

**Heidi Johnson** to **Larry D. Walther** on May 16, 1987. Heidi is a policy service representative for USAA Property & Casualty Insurance in Sacramento, Calif.

**Allison Smith** to **Jeff T. Parrott** on Sept. 5, 1987. Jeff is a systems engineer for Shaw Industries, Inc., and Allison is a reporter for the *Daily Citizen-News*. They live in Dalton, Ga.

**Nancy Wynn** to **William H. Robinson** on Jan. 16. They live in Orlando, where Nancy is an account coordinator for the advertising agency, Billie Heller Co.

**Julie Ellis** to **Guy A. Hall** '87 on Feb. 6. They live in Clinton, N.C., where Guy is a trainee manager for Murphy Farms.

**Vicki Linn Durr** to **Adam L. Hatcher** on Dec. 19, 1987. They live in Montgomery.

**Mary Emily Ward** to **Daniel Keith Newell** on Mar. 5. They live in Montgomery.

#### 1987

**Sarah Edwards Henderson** is an accountant for Coopers & Lybrand in Birmingham.

**Kimberly F. Bankston** is an internal auditor for Rollins, Inc.

**William C. Voigt, III**, is a sales engineer for Voigt-England Co. He lives in Mountain Brook.

**Susan W. Waide** of Seaford, Del., is a marketing representative for E.I. duPont de Nemours.

**Ward D. Cannon** is a software analyst for Cross System in Atlanta.

**Sherry M. Peak** is a pharmacist at the Dale County Hospital in Ozark.

**Terri L. Ray** of Birmingham is a guest services representative for Hampton Inn.

**Leslie Ann Espy** is a teacher living in Headland.

**Wiley F. Livingston, Jr.**, is an electronic engineer at Warner Robins Air Logistics Center (Ga.).

**Catherine Leigh Crawford** is a personnel consultant for Woodside Employment Consultants, Inc., in Washington, D.C.

**Philip C. Spiers** is a forester and land manager for the North Florida Lumber Co. in Bristol, Fla.

**Carol Diane Bryant** is a management trainee for Parisian, Inc., in Birmingham.

**Todd M. Fuller** is a design engineer for Rust International in Birmingham.

**William G. Gauthier, III**, is a project manager for Cajun Contractors & Engineering, Inc., in Baton Rouge, La.

**Jeff A. Prince** of Gadsden is a programmer for Alfa Mutual Insurance Co.

**John Daniel Horton** is an architect in training with Peckham & Wright Architects, Inc., in Columbia, Mo.

**Patrick E. Griswold** is a project engineer for Kajima International. He lives in Tuscaloosa.

**Winston K. Walker** of Ozark is an assistant manager for Endicott Johnson.

**Jane M. Bondurant** is a pharmacist for City Drugs in Panama City, Fla.

**Richard T. Eades** of Canyon, Tex., is a fish and wildlife technician for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

**Deanna Marie Taylor** is a secretary for Taylor Petroleum, Inc., in Eclectic.

**John M. Brothers** is an inside salesman for General Electric Supply. He lives in Lawrenceville, Ga.

**Herbert A. Jernigan, Jr.**, works in inventory control for Union Carbide Corp. in S. Charleston, W.Va.

**Dara Harlette Askew**, DVM, practices at the Munford Animal Clinic. She lives in Atoka, Tenn.

**Stanley C. Jewell** is a partner in Jewell Construction Co. He and his wife, Leann, live in Rogersville and have a son, Corey Clayton, 1.

**James M. Sewell** is an accountant for Kirkland & Co. He lives in Leesburg.

**Mark D. Acker** of Orlando, Fla., is a systems test engineer for Martin-Marietta Missile Systems.

**Donald Gary Webb** is an industrial engineer for Batesville Casket Co. in Campbellsville, Ky.

**Brian L. Gill** of Manassas, Va., is an engineer for ROH, Inc.

**Stephen P. Landram** is a fitness director at Members Fitness Club in Huntsville.

**Mildred A. Thomas** of Millbrook works for Adia Temporaries and The Coca-Cola Co.

**James E. Akridge, Jr.**, is a vice president at Auburn Federal Savings and Loan.

**E. Siobhan Roberts** is a flight test engineer for General Dynamics in Ft. Worth, Tex.

**Suzanne E. Langston** of Sopchoppy, Fla., is a merchandise manager for Burdines.

**Robert K. Colville** is a manager for Zales Jewelers in the Riverchase Galleria in Birmingham.

**Suzette L. Roby** is a pharmacist with Big B Drugs, Inc., in Huntsville.

**Michael A. Bryant** is a staff accountant for Lehman, Ullman and Barclay in Birmingham.

**Miles Y. Bassis** is a comptroller for Cable Security Systems. His wife, Patricia Hobaugh '78, is a sales merchandiser for Hallmark Cards. They live in Opelika.

**James B. Boynton, III**, a landscape contractor for Quandt-Ayer Enterprises, was recently appointed landscape manager for The Hyatt Regency's Grand Cypress Resort in Orlando. He and his wife, Jan, live in Orlando, Fla.

**Kelly Jackson Casey** of Tallahassee, Fla., is an intern architect with Barnett & Fronczak Architects. Her husband, Harvey Howell Casey, Jr., is an estimator for Register Construction.

**Kyle Gatlin** is an assistant minister in charge of youth at the First United Methodist Church in Cynthiana, Ky. He is also pursuing a master's of divinity at Asbury Theological Seminary.

**Ens. Norris R. Herrington** and **Ens. Paul D. Spear** were recently commissioned after graduating from Officer Candidate School.

**Ens. Gregory F. Janczak** recently received a commission after graduating from Aviation Officer Candidate School.

**2/Lt. George N. Edgar** recently graduated from the Marine Basic School.

**Thomas G. Johnson, Jr.**, works in the marketing operations group for Mobil Oil Co. He and his wife, Elizabeth, live in Mobile.

**MARRIED:** Margaret Potter to Charles F. Duggar on Nov. 21, 1987. Margaret is a marketing trainee for IBM, and Chuck works for Figg & Muller Engineers, Inc. They live in Bristol, Fla.

**Marianne Webb** to **David A. Houston** on Oct. 24, 1987. They are both engineers for E.I. duPont de Nemours & Co., Inc. They live in North Augusta, S.C.

Allison Ploeges to **W. Richard Young** on April 25, 1987. Richard is a plant manager for Cornell Young and they live in Macon, Ga.

**Charlotte Joy Humphrey** to Mark Alan Gothard on Jan. 9. They live in Montevallo.

**BORN:** A son, Blake Robbins, to Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Thaxton (Angela Martin '86) of Auburn on Nov. 28, 1987. He joins brother Wade, 4. Daryl is an aerospace engineering graduate student at Auburn.

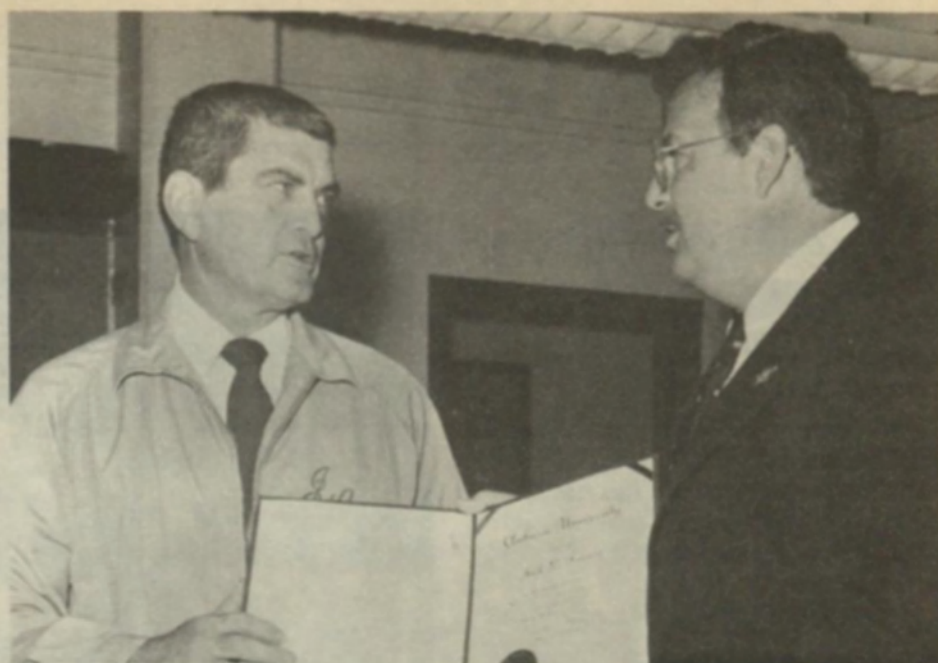
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**Charles Everett Chandler** works for PCA Woodlands as a district supervisor. He and his wife, Nancy, live in Jasper.

## In Memoriam

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Mr. Terrill Brazelton '15  
Mr. Frank E. Cranford '17  
Mr. Cyril T. Tucker '19  
Col. Albert Shelton Lisenby '20  
Mr. Homer Bartee '21  
Mr. Crawford A. Rose '22  
Mr. Frank Alexander Knowles '23  
Mr. George C. Morrow '26  
Mr. Ralph Stewart, Sr., '26  
Mr. John W. McElderry '26  
Mr. Clifford M. Wesson '27  
Mr. James Lynn Fowler '28  
Mr. Herman J. Jones '30  
Mr. Melvin Brooks Selcer '31  
Mr. Henry E. Florey '32  
Mr. W. Randolph Henry '33  
Mr. Charles A. Bowles '33  
Judge Mac Thomas '33  
Mrs. Glenda Arweed Home '34  
Mr. David Franklin Passmore '34  
Mr. Cordelle W. Wright '34  
MG Donald R. Pierce '35  
Mr. John H. Paterson, Jr., '35  
Mr. James A. Woodruff '38  
Mr. Edwin Elmore Ragan, Jr., '39  
Mrs. Lucile Gaines Montgomery '39  
Mr. Stanford Dee Zeanah '40  
Mr. Frank Ward Cayce '40  
Mr. John D. Sharp, Jr., '41  
Col. William H. Weaver, Jr., '43  
Dr. Robert P. Knowles '44  
Dr. N. Jackson Sibley '46  
Mr. Thomas A. Littrell, Jr., '46  
Dr. Charles R. Dixon '47  
Mr. William S. Garmon '47  
Mr. Carlton Orr Lawrence, Jr., '48  
Mr. Herbert Vester Parrish '49  
Mr. James R. Wood '49  
Mr. Houston C. Carlisle '49  
Mr. Robert Bellinger Janney, Jr., '49  
Mr. Hoyt A. McClendon '49  
Dr. John Francis Ashburn '49  
Dr. Fred H. Smith '49  
Mr. John Phillips Milligan '50  
Mr. Leonard C. Caldwell '50  
Dr. Howard W. Winkler, Jr., '50  
Mrs. Barbara Cousins Lathrop '50  
Mrs. Mary Phillips Hearn '50  
Mr. Marshall W. Walker '50  
Mr. Claude J. Britton, Jr., '50  
Mr. Dossie Hearn Loper '51  
Mrs. Betty Dunklin Smart '52  
Mrs. Nancy Allison Shaw '53  
Mr. Walter Clifford Johnson '53  
Mr. Homer L. Huff '54  
Mr. Clifford L. Hall '57  
Dr. Richard A. Burris, Jr., '57  
Miss Eunice Ann Orders '57  
Mr. Joe Blake Coffey '57  
Mrs. Mary Davis Purvis '58  
Mr. James Francis Smith '58  
Mr. George H. McWilliams '58  
Mrs. Dorothy Dismukes McMillan '59  
Mr. Cecil Lee Murphy '61  
Mrs. Brownie Peters Gibson '61  
Mrs. Ann Fogg Eich '63  
Mrs. Frances Gillen Ross '68  
Mr. Freddie Vinson Smith '70  
Dr. Arthur W. Steely '70  
Mr. Donald Lynn Camp '72  
Dr. Robert A. Stuve '74  
Mr. Samuel Lee Smith '76  
Miss Mary Frances Welhaf '84  
Miss Cherry Lee West '85



**TURNER RETIRES**—Jack L. Turner '54, left, recently retired from the Horticulture Department after 32 years of service to Alabama agriculture, especially in the area of vegetable crops research. Presenting a certificate is Dr. Lowell T. Frobish, director of the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station.



**HONORED FOR TEACHING**—Dr. Gary Mullen, left, associate professor of entomology, recently was presented the Agriculture Dean's Award for Teaching Excellence by Dr. James Marion, center, newly-appointed ag dean, and Dr. Richard Guthrie '62, former acting dean. The award includes a \$2,000 grant for self-improvement in teaching.



**EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS**—Four Alabama Cooperative Extension Service staff members recently received the Award for Excellence in Extension along with \$500 each from the Auburn Alumni Association. Pictured, left to right, are: President James E. Martin '54, Alumni & Development Executive Director Jerry F. Smith '64, and honorees David L. Daniel, Donald M. Ball '73, Tommy J. Brown '71, and Dorothy Tate. At right is Dr. Ann Thompson '54, vice president for extension.

# Sports

## Lady Tigers Fall Short of NCAA Championship

The Lady Tigers' long drive to a national title ended Easter day in a 56-54 loss to Louisiana Tech in the national championship game in Tacoma, Wash. Auburn advanced to the final game after beating Long Beach State in the semi-finals 68-55.

In the first half, the Tigers took a 12-point lead behind the strong outside shooting of guards Ruthie Bolton and Diann McNeil. Auburn stretched a 31-19 halftime lead to 14 points early in the second half, but Louisiana Tech began to chip away at the lead in the final 10 minutes. Tech took its first lead of the game near the two-minute mark, then held on to win after a last-second shot by Ruthie Bolton bounced off the backboard. Both Bolton and McNeil were named to the All Final Four Team.

The Lady Tigers finished the season with their most wins ever at 32-3. They won their second consecutive SEC title and made their first-ever trip to the Final Four while picking up their sixth bid to the NCAA Tournament in seven years. Junior center Vickie Orr, who suffered from knee problems late in the season but continued to play, was named SEC Player of the Year, while Head Coach Joe Ciampi picked up SEC Coach of the Year honors.

While the Lady Tigers lose several key players from this season's squad including forward Mae Ola Bolton, center Sharon Stewart, and guard Diann McNeil, they also have an experienced nucleus returning. Orr will be back at center along with Ruthie Bolton at guard. Freshman guard Patrena Scruggs also saw heavy playing time this season, as did sophomore center Linda Godby.

## Swimmers Finish 15th at NAAs

Two Auburn swimmers won All-America honors while leading the Tigers to a 15th-place finish at the recent NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships in Indianapolis, Ind. Junior Jose Rocha won two All-America honors by placing second in both the one-meter and three-meter springboards. Senior Rob Bowman, the second All-American, won fifth place in the 200-meter butterfly.

Steve Farmer, who won the consolation heat, placed ninth in the 100-meter backstroke. In addition to these three, several Tigers qualified to compete in individual events at the championships. They included junior Doug Phillip, diving; sophomore Chris Donahue, 200-meter backstroke; sophomore Tony Barnett, 100-meter breaststroke; and freshman Rick O'Dell, 50-meter freestyle. The 400-meter medley relay and 400-meter freestyle relay teams also competed.



**DEBATE AT THE PLATE**—Something had to give when Tiger catcher Jeff Livesay (13) and the Rider College catcher met at the plate, and something did, as the Tigers won 11-5.

—Photo by AU Photographic Services

Tiger Swim Coach John Asmuth felt his team did well overall. "I feel like we had a good meet," he said. "We just weren't fast enough the first day of preliminaries to earn more points in the finals. Our swimmers were turning in improved times all the way through the last night of the meet and that's encouraging."

## Tigers' Bruce Picked First In NFL Draft

Outside linebacker Aundray Bruce became the second Tiger in three years to be the number one pick in the NFL draft when he signed a \$4.1 million, five-year contract to play for the Atlanta Falcons. Running back Bo Jackson was picked number one by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in the 1986 draft, but chose to play professional baseball for the Kansas City Royals instead.

A Montgomery native, Bruce became a major force on Auburn's league-leading defense in 1987. The 6-6, 236-pounder ended the regular season with 81 tackles, 8 sacks, and 3 interceptions on the way to All-American and All-SEC status. His most memorable game as a Tiger came against Georgia Tech last season, when he intercepted three passes—including one which he returned for a touchdown—recovered a fumble, and had three sacks and nine tackles while leading Auburn to a 20-10 win in Atlanta.

Other Tigers drafted in the opening five rounds of the draft included defensive back Kevin Porter, Kansas City Chiefs; defensive tackle Robert Goff, Tampa Bay Buccaneers; and offensive tackle Stacy Searels, San Diego Chargers.

## Lady Gymnasts End Season in Style

The Lady Tiger gymnastics team missed qualifying for the NCAA national competitions by one point after finishing fourth at the NCAA central regional competition in Baton Rouge, La., recently. The trip marked Auburn's first ever to the regionals.

This season the Lady Tigers posted their first winning record in nine years, and Coach Robert Dillard is optimistic for the 1988-1989 season. "This should put us in a fantastic position to start off next year," he said. "We have proven to ourselves that we can compete with the top programs in the nation and making the nationals is a very attainable goal in 1989."

Coach Dillard's excitement is easily understood as this year's team contains no seniors and recruiting results have been excellent. "It won't be easy to climb to the top in the conference, but I'm excited about our chances," he said.

## Baseball Tigers In Midst of Hot SEC Title Chase

With two conference series remaining, the Auburn baseball team is looking for a spot among the SEC's top four teams and a berth in the SEC championship series in May. Despite a damaging 0-2 series against Alabama in Tuscaloosa just prior to press time, the Tigers are in the thick of the race with a 12-8 conference slate, and a 32-11 overall record. Auburn trails LSU, Mississippi State, and Florida, all of whom are locked in a three-way

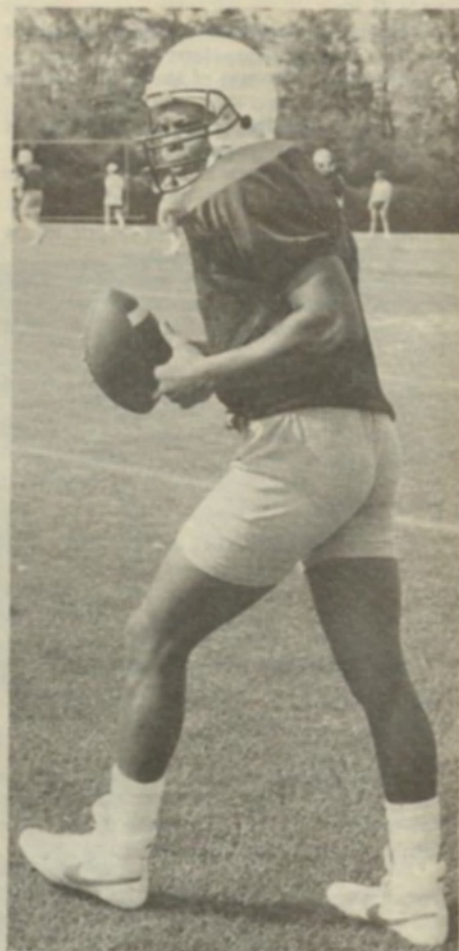
battle for first place. Weekend series against Tennessee at Auburn and LSU in Baton Rouge in the next two weeks will determine the Tigers' fate.

Junior outfielder Clark Preble currently leads the Tigers' offense, batting .380 with one homerun and 23 RBIs. Senior third baseman Kevin Henry is next at .367; while last year's SEC homerun leader, sophomore first baseman Frank Thomas, is third at .366. Thomas once again leads the team in homeruns with 7, and also has 13 doubles and 43 RBIs to his credit.

On the mound, senior David Adams is the Tigers' ace with an 8-1 record and a 2.90 ERA. Sophomore Scott Renner has also pitched well, with a 6-2 record and a 2.74 ERA. Junior Gregg Olson continues to be the team's top reliever, leading the squad with nine saves, a 5-1 record, and a 1.33 ERA. Most professional scouts project Olson as the first choice in this year's major league baseball draft.

## Smith Looks Back On Past Season, Ahead to '88-'89

**Editor's Note**—Coach Sonny Smith's Tiger basketball team recently completed another successful season, finishing second in the SEC and earning a fifth-straight NCAA Tournament berth. The 19-11 cagers enjoyed this success despite the loss of two starting interior players—



**IN CONTROL**—Junior quarterback Reggie Slack has had an excellent spring practice according to Tiger Head Coach Pat Dye. The Milton, Fla., native is expected to guide Auburn's offensive attack in the fall.

—Photo by Mike Jernigan

Mike Jones and Jeff Moore—early in the season. In an interview with Mike Jernigan, Smith, SEC Coach of the Year for 1987-88, looks back on the season just ended and ahead to the Tigers' future.

**ALUMNEWS:** You were quoted prior to this season as saying that you were going to quit being "funny Sonny" because people didn't take you seriously. How successful were you at changing that image?

**SMITH:** I didn't change at all. That was really an off-the-cuff remark that made a good story at the time, but there wasn't anything to it. A man can't change his personality just so he can get approval. I never even really considered it. I'd rather be liked than ballyhooed anyhow.

**ALUMNEWS:** How different is your approach to the game now as compared to 1985, when you almost left coaching because of the constant pressures?

**SMITH:** I never treated coaching like brain surgery even then. The problem I had in 1985 was mainly a health problem. I learned to take care of that, and now I just try and enjoy coaching rather than making it a life and death situation. I think I am easier on my players now than I used to be, but I also have better players. The relationship between coach and player can wear thin when you push them too far.

**ALUMNEWS:** You won 19 games and SEC Coach of the Year honors with a team that looked to finish in the SEC cellar after the back-to-back loss of Jeff Moore and Mike Jones. Was this your most satisfying year as a coach?

**SMITH:** It was definitely my most enjoyable year, and if I hadn't been sick much of the season, I would have enjoyed it even more. This team did things all season long that it wasn't physically possible for them to do.

**ALUMNEWS:** What did you think of the team's chances after the loss of Moore and Jones?

**SMITH:** I felt it would be very difficult for us to finish better than eighth in the conference, because that's where we measured up from a talent standpoint. But this team turned out to be a lot stronger mentally and physically than I expected. I thought that the early wins without Jones and Moore were flukes, but it didn't take me long to realize that this team was tougher than I realized.

**ALUMNEWS:** Who were the main factors in the team's success and who was your most pleasant surprise?

**SMITH:** Chris Morris' emergence as a superstar type player was probably the biggest factor, but the unexpectedly quick improvement of Matt Geiger into a quality player and John Caylor's ability to hit from the outside were also important. Our guards, mainly Terrence Howard and Johnny Lynn, never got any credit from the fans, but they did a lot of little things that helped us win. They didn't always look pretty, but they did a good job as the season went on. As for surprises, Caylor's development into a consistent, every-night kind of player was my most pleasant surprise.

**ALUMNEWS:** How good could this team have been without the loss of Moore and Jones?

**SMITH:** Going into the season, I felt we were about a middle of the pack

team. After we played Illinois to overtime at their place, I thought we could win the conference. I still think so. I really underestimated this team before the season. For once the press was right as far as judging an Auburn team in the pre-season.

**ALUMNEWS:** You lose four starters off this year's team, and your bench was not exceptionally strong. Where do you go from here?

**SMITH:** I would like to think that at the end of five years of NCAA Tournament play that we would have established tradition and continuity, but we really haven't because of all the people who have left the program due to graduation, pro hardship, academic problems, and lack of playing time. Once you've established your program, you never want to be at a rebuilding stage, but that's where we are. Three mediocre to bad recruiting years have put us in this situation, but I hope that this year's recruiting will help us get over it.

**ALUMNEWS:** Who do you see in next year's lineup as of now, without knowing what your incoming freshman class will look like?

**SMITH:** Right now, it looks like Geiger at center, Caylor at one forward spot, and Dennison as possible point guard. We may try to move Caylor to guard later, depending on the situation. Two players who have been sitting out for one reason or another—Zane Arnold and Chris Brandt—may see a lot of playing time. We also have at least two freshmen coming in who may be able to provide immediate help.



**LOOKING AHEAD**—Tiger Head Basketball Coach Sonny Smith, 1987-88 SEC Coach of the Year, is already looking to next year, when he must replace four departed starters from last season.



**PENTHOUSE VIEW**—Tiger football coaches won't have to leave their offices to get a view of practice once the new football building is finished in the fall. In addition to offices, the new facility will contain training and locker rooms and an Auburn football museum.

—Photo by Mike Jernigan

## Fowards & Guards Make up Tiger Roundball Signees For Next Season

Auburn basketball Coach Sonny Smith put the finishing touches on recruiting for 1988 with the signing of two guards and a forward during the spring recruiting period. The three newest signees joined four others inked to scholarships during the winter early signing period, giving the Tigers a total of seven recruits for the year.

Recruiting efforts centered on forwards and guards, as Auburn did not sign a player at the center spot. Head Coach Sonny Smith has said several freshmen could see considerable playing time next season.

The new Tigers and their 1987-88 season statistics include:

**Kelvin Ardister**, a 6-6, 200-pound forward from Pensacola (Fla.) Junior College. Averaged 16 points and 11 rebounds per game last season.

**Ronnie Battle**, a 6-2, 145-pound guard from Chavala High in Seale. Averaged 24.2 points, 7 rebounds, and 5 assists per game as a senior.

**Reggie Gallon**, a 6-0, 175-pound guard from Edison High in Miami, Fla. Averaged 17.5 points per game as a senior.

**Kirt Hankton**, a 6-4, 180-pound guard from Brevard Community College in Cocoa, Fla. Averaged 20.6 points, 7 rebounds, and 5 assists per game last season.

**Robert McKie**, a 6-7, 270-pound forward from Miami (Fla.) Carol City High. Averaged 21.2 points per game as a senior.

**Corey Walker**, a 6-8, 195-pound forward from Orlando (Fla.) Jones High. Averaged 17.4 points per game his senior year.

**Craig Walker**, a 6-8, 225-pound forward from Sanford (Fla.) Seminole High. Averaged 11 points and 10.3 rebounds per game as a senior.

# For Your Information

## Changes in Ticket Sales Announced For Next Season

When the Tigers meet Kentucky in their 1988 football opener Sept. 10, several changes in ticket policies will be in effect. The most obvious change is an increase in price, from \$15 to \$18 per ticket for all eight Auburn home games.

In addition, changes in the availability of Alabama tickets will also begin with the 1988 season. Due to the reciprocating ticket agreement now in effect with the University of Alabama, Auburn will receive only 10,900 tickets to this year's Iron Bowl. In odd years, in which the Tigers are the home team, Alabama will receive only 10,900 tickets, with Auburn getting the remainder.

In even years, in which Auburn is the visiting team and receives only 10,900 seats, Iron Bowl tickets will be assigned to students, faculty, staff, executive suiteholders, and football scholarship donors only. Tickets will be included in Auburn season ticket books in odd years in which the Tigers are the home team.

"The shortcomings are obvious, but we feel the long-term interests of Auburn will be best-served through this new agreement," said Head Football Coach and Athletic Director Pat Dye. "Thousands of Auburn fans who were never able to see the game in person will now have that opportunity in odd years."

## Auburn Knights' Reunion Set For August 5-6

Big band music will be king again when the Auburn Knights hold their annual reunion on the Plains Friday, Aug. 5, and Saturday, Aug. 6. The Best Western Motel and Conference Center will be the site of the festivities, which begin with rehearsals all day Thursday, Aug. 4.



**ANOTHER FIRST**—For the second consecutive year, Auburn's SGA presidential election has made the headlines. Junior Cindy Holland became the first female in the Student Government's top spot when she won a run-off election April 18. Her term follows that of this past year's leader, Harold Melton, the first black SGA president.

—Photo by Mike Jernigan

On Friday, the reunion hits a high note with music by a jazz combo and Knights from the '40s, '50s, '70s, and '80s from 7 to 11:30 p.m. Saturday's events begin with a poolside jazz brunch at 11 a.m. and continue with the sounds of the Knights from the '30s, '48-'49, '60s, and today from 7 p.m. until midnight.

Tickets for the performances are \$5 per night. They may be bought at the door or purchased in advance from A.J. Coleman, AKA Secretary, 2402 Quince Dr., S.E., Decatur, AL 35601.

## Alumni Directories Near Publication

Publication of the Auburn Alumni Directory, authorized by the Alumni Association, will begin this summer. The directory, published by Harris Publishing Co., will include current addresses and phone numbers for all Auburn alumni who were reached in the company's mail and phone solicitation.

The directories are available in two editions. Softbound copies may be purchased for \$46.95, while the hardcover edition is priced at \$49.95. There is also a \$4.95 shipping and handling charge.

To order your copy, contact Liz Galen, Supervisor, Customer Service Dept., Bernard C. Harris Publishing Co., Inc., 3 Barker Ave., White Plains, N.Y. 10601, or call (914) 946-7500.

## Lambda Chi Alpha's Reunion August 20

Alumni brothers, little sisters, and friends of the Omega Chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity are invited to attend a family picnic and reunion, Saturday, Aug. 20, at Eagle Boys' Ranch in Chestnut Mountain, Ga.

The reunion will be hosted by Eddie Staub '78, founder and director of the ranch—located one hour north of Atlanta. For directions and more information write: Ralph Regan, 5550 Kingsport Dr., Atlanta, GA 30342, or Jean Murphy Gentry, 894 Chestnut Lake Dr., N.E., Marietta, GA 30068.

## Education to Offer Summer Institute On Criticism

Thanks to a \$320,024 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the College of Education will offer a summer institute entitled "Literary Criticism and Literature: Knowledge and Application" for secondary school English teachers. The institute, which will be conducted by the Department of Curriculum and Teaching, is set for June 22-July 30.

The institute will offer an intensive study of the major areas of criticism as well as an introduction to ways in which

basic critical theories can be applied to literary works. The program will include lectures by critics from major universities as well as seminars, workshops, media presentations, and special events, all designed to assist teachers in improving the quality of instruction of literature at the high school level. Follow-up activities will include participation in two conferences to be held at later dates in centrally-located U.S. cities.

For further information, write Douglas Alley, Department of Curriculum and Teaching, 5040 Haley Center, Auburn University, AL 36849.

## Football Tigers To Play Eight At Home in '88

For the first time in six years, Auburn will play eight home football games during the coming season. Away contests against the University of Kansas Jayhawks and the Mississippi State Bulldogs will be played in Jordan-Hare Stadium instead, leaving the Tigers to travel only to Gainesville (Florida), Baton Rouge (LSU), and Birmingham (Alabama) during the coming campaign.

The Kansas game, originally scheduled to be played at the Jayhawks' home field in Lawrence, Kan., was moved to Auburn because of the prospects of greater attendance and a larger gate. The Tigers and Mississippi State will swap sites for their next two games, with the Bulldogs traveling to Auburn in 1988 and the Tigers going to Starkeville in 1989.

With the changes, Auburn's 1988 football schedule is now as follows: KENTUCKY, Home, Sept. 10; KANSAS, Home, Sept. 17; TENNESSEE, Home, Sept. 24; NORTH CAROLINA, Home, Oct. 1; Louisiana State, Away, Oct. 8; AKRON, Home, Oct. 15; MISSISSIPPI STATE, Home, Oct. 22; Florida, Away, Oct. 29; SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI, Home, Nov. 5; GEORGIA, Home, Nov. 12; and Alabama, Away, Nov. 25.

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